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School Information Week 2 Update for Families

Dear Parents and Carers,

I write to you to provide an update on the latest information related to the Corona Virus 19 outbreak. Please be aware this is a transcript of my latest video that was uploaded on Sunday 3rd of May.

We are getting closer to having our students return one day a week and as a school community we are working hard to be ready. I want to reassure you that our entire community's wellbeing is absolutely paramount. As the research consistently shows that the risk is between adults and not children, I would like to remind you of some of the things that were put in place to maintain the safety of the community.

Firstly, we have asked that parents remain outside the school gates. Teachers will bring children to Dolphin Cove and dismiss them from there. A note will come home through the Schoolbag app, letting families know how this will change and be managed once students start returning for a day a week, starting Week 3. We ask that families utilise the Kiss and Drop zone to drop students off and collect them in the afternoon. We understand that for families that have very young children at our school, this may not be practical. We will be flexible with these things, but maintaining the expected social distancing is vital.

Once again this week, work packs will be available for collection in the Kiss and Drop zone out the front of the school on Wednesday and Thursday from 8.30am - 2.30pm. If you are looking to use the pack to support your child with online learning, you will need to come and collect one on either of these two days. If your child is at school on Wednesday or Thursday, they will bring a copy home with them. These will be Week 3's packs. The students will need to bring them on their day at school to continue their learning. They will then come back home at the end of the day. Subsequent work packs will be handed out on the student's day at school.

This week, students will also receive with their work packs a grade specific resource pack. These packs will contain a number of items that the students will be able to use to support them with their learning from home program. Each pack contains items such as counters, dice, whiteboards and markers and games. It is really important that you come and collect this from school on Wednesday or Thursday, 8.30-2.30, from the Kiss and Drop zone.

We would also like to remind families that it is also a good time to start completing enrolments for students looking to start Kindergarten in 2021. We will have enrolment forms at the Kiss and Drop zone on Wednesday and Thursday. If you need one, you only need to request one when collecting the students work and resource packs. Enrolment forms are also available online through the department's website.

There is a link below that parents can use to ask questions that they would like to know the answer to. You can find the responses on the Flexible Learning Space under FAQs.

We have had a number of questions asked and I would like to share some of those with you now.

Will the kids be doing different work when they are at school?

We are still continuing with the one stream of learning. This means that students at school will be completing the same work as other students who are learning from home.

**Which days can I send my children?**

Monday- Kirrawee (Green)

Tuesday- Nullaburra (Blue)

Wednesday- Bunduluk (Red)

Thursday- Kookindi (Yellow)

Friday- for students of parents that need to work.

Can I send my child on other days if I have to work?

Yes! Just like the end of Term 1, school will be open for students of essential workers and parents that need to go to work. On top of that, no child will be turned away on any day that they come to school.

My child won't be going to school on their day. When can I pick up their work booklet and where do I get it from?

Week 4 and beyond, they will be given to each student on the day that they attend school. It will be provided to them the week before (i.e. they will receive Week 4's in Week 3 and so on). If a student is not returning due to being classified as, or live with someone who is considered vulnerable by NSW Health, their work packs will be available at the Kiss and Drop Zone out the front of the school on the Wednesday of the week before (i.e. Week 4's can be collected on Wednesday of Week 3 and so on).

Yours sincerely

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