

Updated COVID-19 Advice

August 19, 2020 by Hugh Hallard, Business Manager

The NSW Departments of Health and Education have announced updated Advice re Minimising risk of COVID-19 Transmission in NSW Schools, effective Wednesday 19 August.

The Department of Education's full Advice can be found here: <https://education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/advice-for-families>

Please read this Advice as soon as possible and note the following important changes, effective immediately:

- **Attendance at school and COVID-19 testing:** Students and staff are excluded from school, even if they have the mildest flu-like symptoms. Students who present as unwell or have flu-like symptoms must be sent home immediately. **STUDENTS AND STAFF WITH FLU-LIKE SYMPTOMS MUST PROVIDE THE SCHOOL OFFICE A COPY OF A NEGATIVE COVID-19 TEST RESULT BEFORE BEING PERMITTED TO RETURN TO SCHOOL.**
- **Activities:** Kindergarten orientation, all camps, most excursions, choir, wind ensembles and any school-based activities that involve large gathering of adults are suspended for Term 3. Playgroup is also suspended for Term 3. We are currently unable to conduct our usual parent/community gatherings and large on-site cultural events.
- **School site:** Except with the express permission of the Principal, parents/carers and other non-essential visitors are not allowed on the school site. **PLEASE DO NOT ENTER THE SCHOOL SITE, WAIT OUTSIDE THE SCHOOL GATES AND OBSERVE SOCIAL DISTANCING GUIDELINES.**
- **Exceptions: AFTER SCHOOL CARE** parents/carers and parents/carers with permission of the Principal may continue to drop off and collect students on the school site.

We thank you for your co-operation and understanding in the implementation of these guidelines. Please do not hesitate to contact Hugh or Rebecca for any further information or advice.