

Thursday 29 March 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Recent impacts from COVID-19 have meant that some of our students and teaching staff cannot come to school as they have tested positive for COVID-19.

The positive COVID-19 cases have particularly impacted our **Year 8** and for this group of students only we must temporarily go back to learning from home on **Wednesday 30 March, Thursday 31 March and Friday 1 April**.

Note: All Year 9, 10 and students from the Diverse Learner's unit will continue to learn from home tomorrow and return to school Thursday 31 March 2022. There is no change for all other staff and students who will continue to come to school for face-to-face learning.

Our students who are required to temporarily learn from home will be supported to access their Google Classroom and online learning materials from the [Learning from Home](#) website.

Recently our school community has been experiencing increasing levels of COVID-19 exposure and transmission. To minimise disruption to face-to-face learning and reduce in-school transmission of COVID-19, our school has been working closely with the Department of Education's Health & Safety case management team and has decided to temporarily adopt some additional COVID-smart measures for the next week (five school days). These temporary measures are designed to act as a "circuit breaker" to reduce transmission of COVID-19 in our school.

From Wednesday 30 March to Tuesday 5 April 2022 (inclusive) our school will adopt the following enhanced settings: Masks will be required for all staff, students and visitors.

You are reminded that staff and students cannot attend school if they are showing any [symptoms of COVID-19](#). These include fever, cough, sore throat, shortness of breath, runny nose, loss of smell/taste, fatigue, muscle/joint pains, diarrhoea, nausea/vomiting, extreme tiredness, unexplained chest pain or conjunctivitis (eye infection).

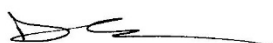
If symptoms occur at any time, you should not attend school and should undertake a rapid antigen test. If a rapid antigen test is positive you/your child should isolate as someone who has tested positive to COVID-19. If you cannot access a rapid antigen test, you can attend a PCR (nose and throat swab) testing clinic.

You must also register any positive test on the [Service NSW website](#) or [Service NSW app](#) so you can be linked to important health care support and advice. Parents and carers are reminded to please ensure that you select your school name when prompted when registering a positive test result [for your child](#).

We know the best place for our students to learn is in the classroom but the safety and wellbeing of our students and staff is our number one priority. We will continue to monitor the situation and advise you when it is safe for all our students and staff to return to our classrooms.

Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely



Deborah Santucci
Principal

