



# NEWSLETTER



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Wednesday, June 24, 2020

**PUPIL FREE DAY  
THURSDAY, JUNE 25**

**END TERM 2- FRIDAY, JUNE 26  
2:30 P.M. DISMISSAL**

**Wednesday, June 24**

**Thursday, June 25**

**Friday, June 26**

Monday, July 13

Monday, July 20

Monday, July 27 – Friday, July 31

Reports being sent home

**Pupil Free Day - Parent/Teacher Interviews**

**Last day Term 2, 2.30 p.m. finish**

First day Term 3, 8.50 a.m. start

School Council Meeting, 7 p.m.

Prep Enrolment Week

## **FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

### **Well Done Everyone!**



As a school community, we have all made an extraordinary effort over the past few months, to work together and manage various challenges. Our staff quickly adapted their teaching to engage students in learning remotely. After nine uncertain weeks of remote and flexible learning, our staff and students re-established routines and learning behaviours back at school.

I would like to thank our staff and students for their impressive efforts, especially as we transitioned into new daily routines. We look forward to continuing to build on the positive partnerships formed with families during this term to support our students.

### **Reporting on Student Progress**

Today every child will receive an individual report on his/her progress during Term 1 and for their engagement during remote and flexible learning in Term 2.

### **Parent/Teacher Phone Interviews**

We will be having our mid-year Parent/Teacher interviews **this Thursday, June 25**. Due to current circumstances, our teachers will be conducting these interviews via phone calls. Please be aware the calls will display 'no caller id'. A reminder slip with your interview time is included in your child/ren's reports.



### **Updating Student Family Occupation Data**

As we know the COVID-19 pandemic has had a huge impact on the employment status of families and individuals across Australia. If you hold a current health care/concession card, please ensure that we have a copy of your card **as soon as possible**.

This information is calculated by the Department of Education and Training in our August Census to allocate funding and resources to best meet the needs of our community and students.

### **2021 Prep Enrolments**

A second Prep 2021 enrolment week will commence on **Monday, July 21, 2020**.

We currently have 35 students enrolled for 2021 Prep. If you, your friends or neighbours have a child who will be 5 years old before the end of April, 2021, please encourage them to enrol at their local neighbourhood school *as soon as possible*.

### **End of Term 2 – FRIDAY, June 26**

**Friday** is optional casual dress day with gold coin donations going towards further improvements to our school's playgrounds.



### **Canteen Update**

We are currently busy finalising our online canteen lunch orders. All going to plan, we should have this available at the beginning of Term 3.

Further information, updates and instructions will be posted on COMPASS.

Our canteen will remain closed during recess for over the counter sales until further notice.



### **School Security**

During the coming school holidays, we ask for your assistance in discouraging any people who may misuse our school grounds. If you happen to notice any person on our school grounds who is engaging in any type of dangerous or destructive behaviour, *please do not hesitate* to **call the police on ☎ 000** and the Department of Education Office of Emergency Management on ☎ 1800 126 126 (24 hours, 7 days).

*Raquel Tweedley*



## **Health and wellbeing resources for parents and students:**

**Kids Helpline – 1800 55 1800**

<https://kidshelpline.com.au/>

**Parentline - 1300 30 1300**

<https://parentline.com.au/>

**Beyond Blue – 1300 22 4636**

<https://www.beyondblue.org.au/>

**Headspace**

<https://headspace.org.au/>

**Royal Children's Hospital**

<https://www.rch.org.au/home/>

**Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)**

<https://www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/>

**Lifeline – 13 11 14**

[www.lifeline.org.au](http://www.lifeline.org.au)

**Victorian Aboriginal Child Care Agency (VACCA)**

[www.vacca.org](http://www.vacca.org)

**Koori Engagement Support Officer (KESO) Lisa de Santa Ana**

[de.santa-ana.lisa.l@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:de.santa-ana.lisa.l@edumail.vic.gov.au)

**Nurse on call - 1300 606 024**

<https://www2.health.vic.gov.au/primary-and-community-health/primary-care/nurse-on-call>

*In an emergency always contact (000). If you are concerned about the health and wellbeing of family members, contact your GP for advice.*

**Police Assistance Line - 13 14 44**

For all non-urgent enquiries and assistance

### **Other useful resources**

A range of key resources, including videos and tips for young people, have been collated to help promote ongoing wellbeing and good health across our school community:

[https://schooltv.me/wellbeing\\_news/special-report-coronavirus](https://schooltv.me/wellbeing_news/special-report-coronavirus)

**Worried about your child getting coronavirus?**

**Here's what you need to know – *The Conversation* article**

<https://theconversation.com/worried-about-your-child-getting-coronavirus-heres-what-you-need-to-know-131909>

Talking to children about natural disasters, traumatic events, or worries about the future – This Emerging Minds video introduces ways for parents and carers to manage media coverage of traumatic events, and talk to their children about their worries and fears.

<https://emergingminds.com.au/resources/talking-to-children-about-natural-disasters-traumatic-events-or-worries-about-the-future/>