



COVID-19 Resumption of Face to Face Schooling Operational Guidelines

Hygiene

- All students will wash hands regularly throughout the day.
- Sanitiser will be available in every classroom.
- Supplementary cleaning of taps, door handles and high use surfaces will be carried out during school days.
- Children will sanitise their hands before and after use of outdoor play equipment including sports equipment.
- If any confirmed cases of Covid19 are identified amongst the students or staff at the school, we will follow the advice of the Health Department which may include a period of school closure.
- Bubble taps must not be used.
- Students must bring their own bottles for refilling.

Health checks

- Students who have flu like symptoms should not be sent to school.
- We understand that many children have a runny nose at this time of year – this is not enough to justify being asked to stay at home.
- Similarly, cold damp weather often brings on asthma-like symptoms in people – a cough *by itself* is not enough to be sent home.
- A non-contact thermometer has been purchased to check unwell students and staff.
- If students are presenting with a temperature over 38°C parents will be asked to collect their child.
- Children with a measured fever will be isolated from the rest of the school community until collected.
- COVID19 Testing is available in Ballarat for DET Teachers and Support staff who seek a health check.
- Staff are reminded that if you are feeling unwell with dizziness, nausea, flu-like symptoms or mild symptoms you should NOT attend school and urgently seek a health check. If you become unwell at school please advise the principal or delegate and safely make your way home.
- Education staff are entitled to priority health checks if they experience symptoms

Restrictions

- Parents, Trades, consultants or other visiting personnel are not allowed on site except by appointment.
- No lunch orders.
- No reading helpers

Operations & return details

- 25th May all staff return to the workplace, PUPIL FREE DAY.
- May 26th P-2 students resume school.
- June 9th Yr 3-6 return to school.
- Students who choose to remain at home will not be provided with Remote Learning.
- There may be an increase in Year 3-6 Student Supervision requests due to essential workers returning to work. Principal will review and approve these.
- There will be no assembly-type gatherings until further notice.
- There will be no staff gatherings until further notice.
- There will be no inter-school sport until further notice.
- There will be no camps until further notice.
- There will be no concert until further notice.
- There will be no volunteers on site until further notice.

Social Distancing

- All staff will be responsible for their own social distancing and out-of- classroom social distancing.
- Students are not required to socially distance.
- It is strongly advised that teachers not congregate in groups where social distancing is not possible.

Personal Protective Equipment

- PPE has been provided by the department for the use of staff who are caring for a student displaying flu-like symptoms.
- Students who bring personal protective equipment from home may wear it respectfully and responsibly.

Remote learning, student supervision and transition back to school

- When students begin to return to school, some may struggle to settle. Some will be excited to see their friends and others will be distant. The social and emotional health of students is a high priority and I ask that you be alert to identify students who may need support.