

Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

I just wanted to be in contact with you, in readiness for all students to return to face-to-face learning and instruction on Monday 25 May, 2020.

There are a few guidelines I wanted to revisit with everyone.

School attendance

- All students should be at school unless:
- They have a medical certificate, which states that they are unable to return to school due to an ongoing medical condition.
- They are currently unwell.

Students who have a medical certificate to stay at home will be supported to learn from home in line with regular procedures if they are able to. These regular procedures are different to what was offered during the learning from home period. If you require work to be provided to your child whilst they are at home due to an underlying health condition, you should contact your child's deputy principal.

If a student is absent without a medical reason for more than three days, this will be recorded as an unauthorised absence and followed up by the school.

As of Monday 25 May, 2020 there will be no remote learning available, as there will only be one form of educational delivery – in class teaching.

Uniform

A reminder that all students are to be in full school uniform. With the COVID 19 restrictions, we are unable to follow our out of uniform procedures. Students who repeated fail to abide by the school's uniform policy will be dealt with via the school's discipline code.

Sporting equipment

In line with the NSW Department of Education and Health guidelines has currently banned contact sports. They have defined contact sports / semi contact sports as ***activities in which close contact (closer than 2 metres) occurs as part of a game, and where avoiding accidental contact is difficult. Contact sports such rugby league, football/soccer, basketball and netball are not allowed.***

As such, ***no student is permitted to bring sporting equipment to school*** (e.g. soccer ball, football, basketball). Sporting equipment will be confiscated and returned to students at the end of the day.

Transport

I know some of you are concerned with media information in regards to public transport. I would like to share some key messages from the Secretary for Transport I received this morning regarding the return to school commencing on Monday 25/5.

Key messages are:

- Although Transport has been implementing social distancing on public transport, advice from health is that social distancing is not required on public transport.
- Parents should be encouraged to consider other options to get children to school (walk, cycle, private vehicle) if possible.

- We can expect higher volumes of traffic in school zones – parents are asked to be vigilant and follow the road rules.
- Students will be picked up by buses, even if there are already 12 on the bus. Adults may choose to get off, but no child will be left behind.

Moorebank High School Community Focus Group

Under the current guidelines, we will not be able to meet as a community focus group until further restrictions are lifted. If you have any topics for discussion, please email them through to the school's email. If you want to discuss your child specifically, please refer the query to the relevant Head Teacher.

Again, I look forward to seeing all our children back at school on Monday 25 May, 2020 and I wish you all a safe and relaxing weekend.

Kind regards,

Vally Grego

Principal

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