



COVID-19 UPDATE

Dear Parents/Carers,

In Term 2, our school will continue to operate with a number of COVID-smart measures that have been developed with NSW Health and the Department of Education to minimise transmission and keep schools open.

An announcement to ease the isolation requirements for close contacts was made on 20th April 2022. Students and staff who are close contacts and have no symptoms are now able to continue to attend school if they adhere to the following NSW Health guidelines:

- Notify the school and their outside of school hours care (OOSHC) provider if they are intending to return under this provision.
- Conduct a daily RAT and return a negative result each morning before attending school, for 5 school days.
- Primary school students are recommended to wear a mask indoors (except when eating or exercising).
- Any staff member or visitor who is a close contact is required to advise the school that they are a close contact before they come on site. They should conduct a daily RAT and return a negative result before attending. They must also wear a mask indoors at all times.

Close contacts will not be permitted to enter a support unit (including Assisted School Travel Program) and will be supported to continue learning or working from home where possible.

Please be advised that Rapid Antigen Test (RAT) kits (5 per child) will be sent home with students on Friday 29th April. For those students not in attendance, parents are encouraged to contact the office to arrange another time for collection. Parents who DO NOT wish to receive these tests are to email the school of your decision, please note that all communication is treated with confidentiality. The RAT kits can be used for symptomatic testing or for daily testing as part of the close contact requirements.

NSW Health has also updated its advice for people who have recovered from COVID-19 leaving isolation. Once they have completed their 7-day isolation period, they should wear a mask for an additional 3 days (for days 8 to 10).

Kind Regards

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