

WERRINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Help keep our school community safe - Week 9 Update

Good afternoon Parents and Carers,

I would like to thank you for your ongoing support over the last week. We as a school, faced some very difficult challenges over the week and I hope that all the families and staff affected are safe and well and please know that you are in our thoughts. Similarly, our thoughts go out to all our Werrington families during this time.

Return to school roadmap

As you may have heard through the media via our school newsletter, the department has released the dates they are expecting students to turn to face to face learning. The week beginning 25th October, Kindergarten and Year 1 students will return to school. On 1st November, Year 6 and Year 2 students and on 8th November, Years 3. 4 & 5. These dates are dependant on at least a 70% vaccination rate. Those students waiting for their return to school date will continue to be provided with learning from home packs. More information regarding the Return to School Roadmap will follow imminently.

Zoom sessions

This week, teachers began holding a check-in Zoom session with their students. The teachers have informed me that these sessions were very successful and they are looking forward to more students joining the Zoom sessions next week. Please check your child's Google Classroom for exact times for each class and the Zoom link required to enter the meeting. Alternatively, you can contact the office on 9623 7077 for more information. The allocated days are as follows: Monday: Support Unit, Tuesday: Early Stage One, Wednesday: Stage 2, Thursday: Stage 1 and Friday: Stage 3.

Click on the link below or scan the QR code to access the **how to guide to access Zoom.**

How people outside the department can join a Zoom meeting (nsw.gov.au)



Wonderful Wednesdays

Our last Wonderful Wednesday for the term will be:

Week 10, Wednesday 15th September: **Pattern/mismatch Day** – Wear your brightest patterned clothing for a day of mismatched fun.

Parents and carers, can also share your child's picture on our Facebook post for that day. Next week we will send out our theme days for Weeks 1-3 next term.

Work Packs

Work packs for weeks 1-3, Term 4 will be sent out at the end of week 10/beginning of the first week of holidays. Please be patient as Australia Post is currently experiencing significant issues with deliveries. Additional work packs were sent out on Tuesday to those students affected by last week's school closure and Google Classroom is available to all students.

Office and School Site Arrangements

The office remains closed, and parents and carers are not able to enter the school site. **All queries are to be made by email or phone**. All future work packs will be posted home. No packs at all will be able to be collected from site. Packs can also be downloaded from the school website and Skoolbag app.

I want to remind all our families that there is minimal supervision on site for students who cannot be educated at home, for example, if their parent or carer is an essential worker. These students can only access the school via the Armstein Crescent gate.

If your child is unwell. even with the mildest symptoms, please, do not send them to school. Instead get tested and isolate until you have a negative result. Students who have been unwell and whose parents are essential workers cannot return to school until they are symptom free and have returned a negative COVID test.

All students and families will be supported with <u>learning from home</u> materials and resources.

If you are working from home, and your child is able to be educated from home, please keep them at home.

I want to again thank all the families who have continued to support our community by keeping their children at home to minimise movement in the community. Get in touch with your teacher to discuss any additional needs your child or family may need to support you to continue learning from home.

Contact Us

You can contact your child's teacher via google classroom or by emailing the school on Werrington-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Thank you for your ongoing support, as we all help to keep each other safe.

Sincerely,

Shantelle Proglio

Deputy Principal