



WERRINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Term 4 Week 2 Update

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

From next week we start to see the return of students in year groups. To accommodate this and the requirement of the Department of Education's COVID Safe return, there have had to be a number of changes onsite.

Staggered Return

Monday 18th October, Kindergarten and Year 1 students will return to face-to-face learning under Level 3 plus COVID-safe settings.

Monday 25th October, students in Year 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 will return.

Cohorts

Students will be in their own class group, and on the playground, they will be playing with only their class and their designated buddy class from the same stage.

Playground Break Times

Recess and lunch will be staggered for K-2 and 3-6.

Students will play on a designated playground area with their class and their buddy class from the same stage only. Each day, these groups will have a different playground to play on each break, one hard surface play area and one active play. Therefore, students need to remain with their class and buddy class group when on the playground.

Toilets

Each stage has been designated a specific toilet block for their use.

Hygiene

Students and staff will continue to be encouraged at regular intervals throughout the day to wash or sanitise their hands.

Canteen

The canteen will be open from Monday 25th October for orders for recess and lunch only. Students can order any item on the menu. Orders will be collected each morning in the classroom and sent down to the canteen. Orders will be collected for each class group and distributed in class before their break time. Students will not be able to purchase items directly from the canteen at recess or lunch time. Orders can also be made by 9pm the night before via email on ssusan.liddiard@yahoo.com.au. You will then receive a confirmation email back with the cost. Payment can then be sent in with your child the next day or by direct deposit:

BSB: 082-778 Account number: 11930 8942 Name: Susan Liddiard. Please include your child's surname and class as the reference.

Gates

For the remainder of this week, student access to the school is only via the Armstein Crescent gate.

From the 18th October, Armstein and Heavey Street gates will be open in the morning, and all three pedestrian gates will be open in the afternoon.

Pick up and drop off times

Once grade groups return to site, students will be dismissed at the following times, to the gates they are normally collected or leave from:

Kindergarten at 2.50pm

Year 1 & 2 at 2.53pm

Year 3 & 4 at 2.56pm; and

Years 5 & 6 at 2.59pm

Where possible, we ask that parents and carers wait in or near their cars until the pick up time to avoid congregating. Drop off remains unchanged; however, students will go straight to their regular classrooms not the playground before school. This information will also be available to parents and carers via the Skoolbag App or the school webpage.

Transport

Where possible, it is recommended that parents and carers use their own vehicles, or walk, to get their children to and from school. If you need to use public transport, please ensure that you adhere to the current guideline in place for public transport.

Masks

Currently, all staff and adults onsite are required to wear a mask both inside and outside, unless medically exempt. Students are encouraged to wear masks; however, this is up to the parent or carers discretion and is not mandatory.

Access to the school site

Parents and Carers are unable to access the school site. If your child is late, if you need to collect your child early, or for any other query please call or email the office.

Uniforms

Uniforms can be ordered online and paid for over the phone or via the payment portal on our webpage.

Follow the link below if you need to order uniforms

<https://forms.gle/RLCPIJroQ3uqcFw16>

Helpful Sites and Links

<https://www.education.nsw.gov.au/>

<https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/>

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/teaching-and-learning/learning-from-home/learning-at-home>

Wonderful Wednesdays

Our Wonderful Wednesdays are continuing this term:

Week 2 – 13th October – Mask day – wear a colourful or fancy mask

Week 3 – 20th October – Beach day

We hope your children will enjoy joining in on these days.



Kind regards,
Christine Avery
Principal