

Thursday 15th July

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to provide information regarding Learning from Home. We are approaching things slightly differently to last year. The latest news for NSW is that the restrictions currently in place for the greater Sydney area and Central Coast will continue until 30 July.

Children who must attend school

Children of essential workers may still come to school but can I please remind you that we have limited capacity for this as most staff are also working from home. Please keep your children at home if possible. If your child is at all unwell, they must not come to school and should be tested if they have even the mildest COVID symptoms. Students must return a negative COVID-19 test and be symptom-free prior to returning to school.

Communication

Class Dojo will remain the platform for parent teacher communication throughout the day. If you have a question or would like the class teacher to contact you, please use Class Dojo.

Zoom for students

Zoom will be introduced as a platform for teachers to check in with students each morning. This will allow teachers to connect in person with their class and enable the children to have some social interaction with each other. This will also be our platform for marking student attendance. A secure link will be set up for individual classes for the morning Zoom with teachers and an additional link will be set up for the parent / teacher Zoom sessions. Use of phones or digital tablets is recommended for students to connect to morning meetings as this eliminates the need for added microphones and speakers.

K-2 will do a video on Monday and start Zooms on Tuesday, due to learning pack pick up. 3-6 Morning Zooms to start on Monday Week 2.

If your child is unable to attend a Morning Meeting

We understand that not all students can access a computer at the given time, especially if they have siblings. Please send a message on your child's Class Dojo before 8:45am indicating that your child will not be attending the online meeting but will still be working online.

If your child is sick, please follow our normal guidelines.

Zoom for parents

Zoom will also be used as a platform for teachers to connect with parents. Each week classroom teachers will run two parent Zoom sessions that will be optional for parents to join. Teachers will provide times and a link via Dojo.



K-2 Learning Pack Pick Up

Learning packs for Weeks 2 and 3 can be picked up from Kiss and Go on Monday 19th July (Week 2) between 9 – 10am.

K-2 Learning from Home

Students will be provided with a weekly timetable and all worksheets within their hard-copy learning pack. An electronic timetable, with student Zoom links and links to other resources will be uploaded to Dojo to assist parents.

Teachers will explain the day's activities during the morning zoom and will be available to talk to parents and provide feedback to students on Class Dojo from 9:15-10am and 11:30am-12:30pm.

K-2 daily	3-6 daily
9am Zoom	9am Zoom
Reading Eggs	Reading task
Sight Word activities	Writing task
Writing task	Mathematics task
Mathematics task	Manga high activities
Manga high activities	Olympics Inquiry Unit
Fitness Activities	Outdoor activity
Digital Lunchbreak	Digital Lunchbreak

3-6 Learning from Home

All student learning activities will be uploaded to Google Classroom for Weeks 2 and 3 before 9am on Monday. Students will be provided with an electronic timetable with student Zoom links and links to other resources to support learning.

Teachers available online and engaging with students –

Unless on minimal supervision at school – Teachers will notify students in their morning Zoom if this is the case, as this will impact their ability to engage online. Outside of these times teachers will be engaged in planning, programming and professional learning.

3-6 Teachers	
9:00 – 9:15 am	Zoom
9:15 – 10:00 am	Online with students
11:30 - 12:30	Online with students

K-2 Teachers	
9:00 – 9:15 am	Zoom
9:15 – 10:00 am	Teachers available to parents via Dojo and phone.
11:30 - 12:30	Teachers provide feedback to students via Dojo.

Kind regards,

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