



FAQ Sheet - Phased Return to onsite learning for students

Due to the ever changing nature of our school environment at the moment, we have endeavoured to answer some frequently asked questions.

How long will each phase be in place for and when does Phase II commence?

- The Department of Education will advise the start date for Phase II.

Am I able to change the day that my child has been allocated based on friendship groups?

- Due to the various variables in the development of the model we are asking all parents to respect the allocated day. This is a short term phase and hope that students will be back with their whole cohort as soon as possible.

Have school hours changed with the new phase model?

- School hours remain the same with a 8:55 start and a 2:55 finish.

How do I collect my child (pick up drop off)?

- Where possible parents are encouraged to drop their children off without exiting their vehicles.
- Parents that do need to enter the school site must abide by physical distancing protocols.
- Parents are encouraged not to congregate at the main school driveway entrance and practice physical distancing whilst waiting for their children.
- Children are encouraged to use the entrance / exit point closest to home.

Can my child/ren catch the bus to and from school?

- Yes, buses remain operational and student supervision is provided in the afternoon pickup.

OOSHC - am I still able to sign in my child?

- OOSHC remains open with normal service hours.
- Normal drop off and pick up procedures will apply as students need to be legally signed in and out. Again, physical distancing must be observed.

How will the children be supervised in the playground during recess and lunch?

- Children are to have designated play areas to allow for physical distancing based on their grade.
- No ball games or playground equipment.

What hygiene practices will be followed at school to ensure my child's safety?

- Additional posters will be placed throughout the school to reinforce hygiene practices.
- Hand sanitizer and soap is available in all classrooms and bathrooms.
- Enhanced cleaning practices have commenced which include cleaning of doorhandles, taps, hard surfaces and all frequently used items.
- Additional cleaning staff are onsite during the day.
- Teachers will continue to ensure hygiene practices and physical distancing practices in their classroom.

What if my child or another child is sick?

- Any students showing flu-like symptoms will be temperature checked and sent home.
- Any students who are unwell, with even the mildest symptoms, are to be kept home and tested for Covid-19 as per the NSW Health directive.
- If your child is absent due to illness, please notify the school via Schoolstream or email.
- If your child has any other "non Covid-19" medical conditions that require attention during the day, please advise the office staff.

What if I choose not to send my child on their allocated class day, is this ok? Should I inform the school via the Schoolstream app?

- Parents may still choose to self-isolate their children, please advise the office if this is the case via Schoolstream or email.

Will the canteen be open on my child's scheduled day?

- The canteen will be available for online ordering only with a simplified menu. All lunches will be delivered directly to the classroom with no "over the counter" purchasing.

Can I purchase a winter uniform from the Uniform shop?

- The uniform shop are taking online orders only. Orders placed will be compiled on Monday 11th May and available for collection from Monday afternoon (11th May) from the admin office.

Have extra-curricular activities recommenced?

- As per the phase model, extra-curricular activities will not recommence until Phase III.
- Activities involving large groups, or interschool groups, will not recommence until advised by the government (examples are school assemblies, PSSA competitions and excursions).

Can I resume my role as a volunteer at school?

- Unfortunately, volunteers are unable to attend school for any programs at this time.

Kind regards,
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