



Return to School Update Week 5 Term 2

COVID-19

Drop Off and Pick Up

27 May 2020

Thank you to all our wonderful parents and carers who have adhered to our new rules when dropping off and picking up children. Just some advice below that may alleviate congestion in the mornings and afternoon:

- Remember that there are 3 gates. There doesn't seem to be as many students using those gates during drop off and pick up so please take the opportunity to go the back way in morning and afternoon and pick children up from the Garswood Road and Sunningdale Drive exits instead of the front gate.
- Thank you to those parents who are parking and picking their children up from the opposite side of St Andrews Drive. We ask you however, not to walk your children across the road but to use the crossing provided. A number of parents were witnessed doing this yesterday by Mrs Smith.
- Please do not park in the Kiss n Drop at any time unless your child/children are out the front and ready to be picked up. Remember to loop around between roundabouts until a space becomes available. Police have been regularly patrolling the area and you will be fined. We have had parents and carers parking there as early as 2:30pm.
- Make sure you come at the correct time to coincide with when the children are dismissed. We have had a number of parents taking up valuable space in the Kiss n Drop and their children are in 'Thorpe' and those students aren't let out until 3:10pm.

It has been lovely to be out there every morning watching how independent the children are becoming as we transition into the new way of coming to school.

Canteen

Please see the note provide by our wonderful and hardworking P&C. Canteen will remain closed until further notice.

Allied Health Workers-OTs, Speech Pathologist etc.

The school provides this service to help support students and parents by decreasing student's time way from school and by providing more flexibility for parents and carers who would otherwise be unable to get their children to appointments after hours. The offer to have these services on site is up to the individual school and principal. This is not mandated as a must by the DoE but is a local decision. It has always been my philosophy to work with parents to ensure continuity of learning for students at school and allow these services to see and work with our children on our school premises.

At this point in time I have made the decision to give students and teachers a two week transition period back to school after COVID-19 isolation so that they can get settled back into routines before these services recommence. At this stage I am anticipating that this will be from Week 7. I thank you all for your patience and understanding and apologise for any angst or concern this may have caused.

Yours in Education

Mrs Kathy Browne
Principal