

******* COVID ARRANGEMENTS FOR SUVERYORS CREEK PUBLIC SCHOOL
WEEK 1, TERM 3*******

Attention Parent & Carers

Thursday 8th July, 2020

Dear Parents and Carers

Thank you for your support during these challenging times. As you are aware, the current COVID-19 restrictions require us to resume online learning for the commencement of Term 3. At this stage, we are unable to continue with face-to-face teaching for the duration of Week 1.

We understand that this is an unsettling and difficult time for many people in our school community. We hope to make the transition to learning from home as easy as possible.

As promised below is a comprehensive guide to our school's procedures and online learning plan for the first week of Term 3, 2021.

Procedures

Attendance at School

From Tuesday 13th until Friday 16th (inclusive) our school will operate on minimal supervision. Students are to remain at home and participate in online learning unless their parents or carers are classed as essential workers or have been instructed to attend their place of work by their employer. *If this is the case those students are able to attend school.*

Our schools will remain open for the students and families who need it, although parents will be encouraged to keep their children at home. There will only be minimal staff supervision and schools will provide one unit of work for students, whether they are learning from home or in the classroom. (DoE)

For those on site, all staff in all school settings and students from Year 7 upwards will be required to wear masks. This is consistent with current requirements for masks to be worn in office and workplace settings and on transport services across Greater Sydney. (DoE)

*****Our students will not be required to wear a mask but teachers and any adult on site are required to wear them.***

Entry and Exit from School

For those students attending school from the 13th-16th July we will be implementing a split exit. Once again, we will be using house groups for this and to make it easier on families. Thorpe and Sauvage will exit out the back gate and Rafter and Freeman will exit out the front gate of the school from 13th-16th July. Exit will be at normal time 3:10pm.

***Only the front gate will be open in the morning for drop off the back gate will be closed.

Parent and carers are not permitted to enter the school grounds when picking up children and must remain outside the gates.

We have decided to implement the split strategy to eliminate crowding outside our school gates and adhere to social distancing rules.

It would be appreciated if only one parent or carer collected children at the end of the day.

**Students who attend Cubby OOSH and who catch the bus at the conclusion of the school day will be supervised until handover or the bus comes.

Our support unit driveway will be accessible for transport only in the morning and afternoon.

Staff will greet students at the front gate each morning with hand sanitising to ensure hygiene protocols are implemented.

Community on site

There will be no canteen for week 1 and therapists will not be permitted on school site during that week. We will provide further information regarding these services moving forward when we get clarification from DoE.

Parents picking up sick children are permitted on site but must QR code in.

If it is an emergency or for any other reason that you need to attend the school please ensure that you wear a mask and QR code in before you enter the Administration Block.

Sick students and staff

Advice for all schools

Any student, teacher or staff member with any symptoms, or who is feeling unwell, should not attend school and should take a COVID test immediately. Anyone who has been off sick from school will be required to return a negative COVID test before being permitted to return to school. Students

and staff who have attended any venue of concern identified by NSW Health should follow NSW Health advice. (DoE)

Please do not send your child/children if they are sick or have the slightest of symptoms. If a student does become ill at school the office staff will call and ask you to pick them up immediately. We appreciate your support if this happens.

OnLine Learning for Week 1, Term 3.

From Tuesday 13th-Friday 16th all students will be learning from home. As per our online Learning from Home procedures 2020, parents and carers will access this through our school website. Students will be provided with one unit of work. This same unit of work will also be provided to those students who attend school during this time.

Information for accessing each grade's online learning platform will be communicated through Facebook and the school website from 4pm on Monday 12th July. Teachers will be communicating with parents and carers through the various social media platforms or will contact parents and carers by phone during the 4 days. Please ensure that you answer a 'no id caller' from Tuesday as this maybe your child's teacher's preferred communication method if not using a social media platform.

Technology

If access to a laptop is difficult you are able to request the school provide one. This will be one per family only and you will need to call the school on 47379571 on Monday to arrange a time for collection.

Teachers have organised work so that students will only need to access a laptop to print off or view the week's plan. Students will be able to do the work in an exercise book, homework book or on paper. This will hopefully eliminate the need for having students continually on a laptop or computer during the 4 days.

Facebook, School Website and NSW Parent App

Please ensure that you check the social media platforms above for further information.

Once again, we appreciate your understanding and support during this difficult and challenging time. Please don't stress about your child/children's ability to get through the work. We totally understand the impact this is having on our families.

Please stay safe and we will try and get updated information to you as soon as we are able.

Yours in Education

Mrs Kathy Browne

Principal