



NEWSLETTER



Principal: Tamarin Condon
Governing Council Chairperson: Emery Hayman



Dear Parents and Caregivers

A quick note to welcome you all back to Term 2!

It was lovely to see so many of the children back here at school today with their smiling faces, excited at seeing their friends and teachers. As you may be aware, we do have some families taking the option to “Work from Home” and we look forward to seeing those who are not with us in the next few weeks back at school.

As you know, staff here spent the last week of Term 1 preparing for “Online Learning” and they are to be commended on their professionalism and their willingness to work in the “online environment”. Whilst this has not been needed, it was an opportunity to develop confidence in using a variety of online platforms and some of these will continue to be a form of communication moving forward. The F/1 and 2/3 classes will continue to use *Seasaw*, the 4/5's Class Dojo and the 6/7's Google Drive and Microsoft Teams.

As a result of this planning, we have packs of work available in the Front Office for those students who are working from home. Please feel free to come in and see us to collect your pack and remember that if you need any help, we are here to support you.

On Saturday, as you know, we celebrated “Anzac Day 2020” and whilst this year we were unable to, as a school participate in the service usually run by the Mount Gambier RSL Branch, it made me so proud to see our students taking up the call to remember those who gave the ultimate sacrifice and those who protect us now. You will see our students and their families celebrated the day in a variety of ways and this made me so proud. As our Prime Minister, Scott Morrison said. “Anzac Day is a sacred day for all Australians. It is an important time to remember the sacrifices of those who have gone before us, those who have laid down their lives or suffered great hardship to protect Australians’ way of life”

As we are still operating under the advice from the Education Department, I would like to remind all parents/caregivers that if they have students who are unwell, they are to stay home. Parents/caregivers of children who are unwell and at school will be contacted and asked to collect their child as soon as possible. Thank you, in advance for your help with this.

On behalf of the staff, I also ask that we limit parent contact for now in classrooms as social distancing can be quite difficult to adhere to in these circumstances. We are still having a focus on “hand hygiene” and commencing the day with hand washing as well as before eating, after toileting, at the end of play breaks and after using sports and ICT equipment.

Please contact me at school if you have any questions and as always I will do my best to answer them. Thank you for your support, it is by working together that we will move through this uncertain time.

Warm regards

Tamarin Condon

Principal

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Message to parents and carers from
Professor Nicola Spurrier,
Chief Public Health Officer




**It is safe to send your child or children back to school,
kindy and day care.**

Don't send them if:



They are sick.



They have a health problem and you want to talk to your doctor first.

I am confident it is safe for them to return because:



We have a low rate of community spread in SA.



Borders are still closed.



Lots of the community has been tested.



Good social distancing and hygiene.

To keep schools safe we are:



Increasing cleaning.



Making sure there is soap, sanitiser and tissues available.



Not having large gatherings.



Teaching kids to not spread germs.

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DATES TO REMEMBER

May

Week 4, Friday 22 May

PINK STUMPS DAY (Students only this year!)

Week 7, Monday 8 June

Queen's Birthday - PUBLIC HOLIDAY

