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Dear families,

RE: Attending school in Term 2

A letter was emailed to families on Wednesday 8 April outlining the guidelines for schools opening in Term 2. **All learners must stay at home with only a few exceptions.** Learners can attend school on days when they are not able to be supervised at home and no other arrangements can be made. This is available only for parents who cannot work from home, such as essential service workers, or for the vulnerable students we know of in our community.

If your child/ren need to attend school please read the following requirements and additional safety precautions that will be put in place:

- Learners are to wear their school uniform.
- Families are to leave their child/ren in the 'drop off zone' from 8:20am. A staff member will greet your child/ren and direct them into the school.
- All staff and learners will have a temperature check when they enter the building (we ask that families also check temperatures before bringing their child/ren to school).
- Hand sanitiser or hand washing facilities will be available to all before they enter the learning communities.
- Physical distancing guidelines will be adhered to by all.
- The spaces where learning will take place will have no more than a 1:10 ratio so that physical distancing can occur.
- Learners will not necessarily be in their own learning community.
- The onsite learning will be the same as that done by learners in their homes.
- Learners will be supervised at all times.
- The adventure playgrounds will not be available at recess and lunch.
- If a learner shows signs of being unwell such as, fever, coughing, sore throat, breathing difficulties, nausea
 or any other symptoms they will be placed in isolation and the family contacted to pick them up
 immediately.

The school day will operate from 8:45am to 3:05pm. At 3:05pm learners will be taken to the Play Plaza to be collected by families using the pick up zone.

No adults except staff (and tradespeople if needed) will enter the building. We ask that families do not collect their child before 3:05pm unless necessary. If you need to collect your child earlier then call the office and your child will be brought out to you.

The school is mindful that some staff cannot come onsite due to their own or family health concerns. However, they will be working from home on remote learning. Each day we will have the required number of staff who will supervise those learners who need to attend school. For this reason we have asked families to let us know if they need to send their child/ren to school and on which days.

Thank you to all in the community who are assisting us in ensuring we keep all families and staff well during this time.

Take care and keep well.

Mary Abbott

Principal