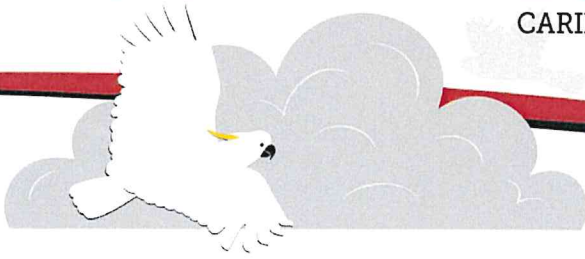


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Dear Parents/carers,

## TERM 2 UPDATE

I hope you are all safe and well and have enjoyed some quality time with your children over the Easter holidays.

Prior to Easter, the Department for Education provided schools with four Student Free days so staff could prepare for remote learning as the majority of students were to be learning at home in term 2 due to COVID-19. Yesterday, the Chief Public Health Officer Professor Nicola Spurrier wrote an open letter to parents saying that health officials believe it is safe for children to go back to school next week.

The Department for Education are encouraging parents to send their children back to school for term 2 and schools are now preparing for students to transition back to learning at school. If parents choose to keep their children at home, we respect their decision to do so.

Late in term 1, families were surveyed as to their intentions regarding school attendance for term 2. Two thirds of our families indicated their intention was for their children to learn at home. We understand that given the information provided to families from Professor Nicola Spurrier and the Department for Education that families may be rethinking their decision.

***To support us to ensure a smooth start to term 2, I am asking families to notify us of their intentions by text message ( 0418 158 511) by Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April.*** Please text the following details:

- Your child's name
- YES = returning to school
- No = learning at home

Families were provided with information about the Term 2 learning at home and the learning at school program/timetable. On Monday staff will be reviewing these plans and given the new information it is likely that the advised arrangements about the two learning modes will change. I will provide further information to families on Monday.

Thank you for your ongoing support during these challenging times.

Regards,

Rebecca Read  
Principal  
23/4/2020