

Parent Update #6

Reminder

As indicated in the 2020 Term 2 School Term Planner, Friday May 29th is a scheduled School Development Day and therefore students are not required to attend school.

Semester One reports to families – Update

With the arrival of COVID 19 back in March, teaching and learning programs have looked markedly different. Therefore, it has required changes to reporting to parents in terms of student progress in Semester 1. Pre-primary to Year 6 reports will still be completed using the Department of Education template, however, given the lack of quality data available for semester one, the Minister for Education has advised schools that there is no requirement to report student achievement using the A-E grades.

We will be:

- Using the standard Education Department template as required.
- Reporting across all learning areas taught this semester but not providing a comment for all learning areas.
- Providing comments in English and Mathematics in relation to your child's progress this semester and specialist areas will provide an outline of the curriculum undertaken so far.
- Completing the ABE (Attitude, Behaviour and Effort) checklist for each student.
- Completing an overall general comment for your child.

Health, Hygiene and Social Distancing

The advice with regards to social distancing in schools, environmental cleaning and hygiene remains unchanged from previous AHPPC advice, including parents/carers and visitors not permitted to enter school grounds.

Reminders:

- **If your drop off or pick up time is the earlier of the two, please leave promptly to create more available spaces in our carparks for later pickups.**

Unwell Students.

Due to the ongoing concerns around the COVID 19 virus, the current Department of Education directive remains that, if your child displays any signs or symptoms of illness, you must keep them at home.

If a student displays any signs of illness at school, parents will be contacted and expected to collect them immediately.

Driving in Carparks.

PLEASE take all care and responsibility when using the carpark and access and exit points. We are dismayed to hear reports of parents driving through the carpark using mobile phones. This is illegal and dangerous. You are putting yours and other families' children at great risk.

When using the carparks be on high alert at all times and be patient and courteous. This sets a good example for your children.

In addition, do not park on or near any marked pedestrian crossings or "no parking" zones. This will be monitored in the coming days and those not supporting this request will be required to move on.

- **Please DO NOT use Rossiter Avenue as a drop off or pick up opportunity. IT IS ILLEGAL AND DANGEROUS.**

Students on bikes

We have become aware of some students riding bikes and scooters to school who are taking extraordinary risks by not wearing helmets.

We are committed to the absolute safety of our students at all times and the wearing of helmets makes absolute sense. We would like your support in this matter.

Please ensure your child has – and wears a helmet if they are riding on or around our roads. The extreme consequences do not bear thinking about for the sake of a \$30 helmet.

Due to the continuation of Social distancing requirements by the Government of Western Australia, the following arrangements remain in place:

Before School Arrival - Not Before 8.30am

Social distancing among adults is still a major focus at Aspiri Primary School

Kindergarten

Students to be dropped off at the Early Childhood gates at **8.45am**.

Students will be escorted from the gate by a staff member to the classroom. Please be on time.

Pre-Primary

Students to be dropped off at the Early Childhood gates at **8.30am**.

Students will be escorted from the gate by a staff member to the classroom. Please be on time.

Year 1

To enter via the gates adjacent to the year one block on Sunray Avenue **no earlier than 8.30 am**.

Years 2 to Year 6

- Students to be dropped off / enter at the school gates around the school **from 8.30am**
- Students will proceed to directly their classroom.

Gates will be locked by 8.50 am. All students who are late must enter via the Front Office. Staff will escort the early childhood students to classrooms.

After School Pick Up

Kindergarten:

Students will be ready for pick up at **2.45 pm** from the Early Childhood gates.

Pre Primary:

Remains as: Students will be ready for pick up at **2.30pm from the Basketball Courts**. Parents are to assemble behind the Covered Assembly area as indicated on the map and will move to the Basketball Courts via the inside gate where they will pick up their children and exit via the gate at the Rossiter Oval side of the Courts. Pathways will be indicated using arrows on the ground. Please follow these pathways. Staff will be present to assist parents.

Year 1:

For students in Teaching Block 2, students will be at the gate where your child entered the school in the morning on the southern side of the Administration block. This will commence at the normal school finish time of 2.40pm. Ms Beeson and Ms Blyth's classes are now being released at the small side gate adjacent to their classrooms in order to ease overcrowding and support Social distancing requirements.

Mrs Donohue's and Ms Albertyn's year one classes will continue to be picked up at **2.40 pm** at the gates on the other (Northern) side of the Admin block on Sunray Avenue.

Year 2 - Year 6:

Students will be dismissed from classrooms at 2.40 pm and exit via the closest gate to their classroom.

• Parents should ensure they have arranged a meeting place outside of the school gates if you are picking up students.

Attendance.

As of Monday, May the 18th all students are required to attend school as normal (apart from those identified by the school for exemption).

The school will record and follow-up attendance as per normal from now on. Please continue to advise the school if your child is absent on any school day.

See you at the gate,

Noel Morgan, Principal, Aspiri Primary School.