



BLACKWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

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*An IB school valuing, supporting and inspiring
a community of lifelong learners*

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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome back to the beginning of Term 2. We hope you had an enjoyable break and had the opportunity to spend some family time together. As of today we have had a large increase in the number of students returning to school. We currently have approximately 75% of our school population attending. It still remains your choice as to whether to send your children to school or not.

This change in attendance has meant that what we planned for our teaching and learning model, at the end of last term, will need major adjustments to cater for both learning at home and learning at school.

Teachers will endeavour to still cover the same core work both at home and at school, however the mode of delivery will differ in each instance. Students at school will remain in their usual class groups. Students at home will be using an online system, utilising See Saw as the main platform, but the mode of delivery for classrooms will most probably be a combination of online and usual face-to-face teaching. As a school we remain committed to delivering the best possible education regardless of the environment that you choose for your child to be learning in.

For those choosing to attend school we will continue to do our best to ensure:

- Students practice social distancing strategies by not engaging in close friendly contact, hand shaking, hugging, and similar interactions with others.
- Encouragement of regular hand washing throughout the day.
- Minimal contact from outside providers.

All of the other strategies put in to place during Term 1 will also continue including:

- No Facilities hire
- No afterschool sports or practices
- No Playgroup
- No excursions or incursions

We would like to ask parents to continue to support the safety of our community by minimizing their time on site. If you are able to drop your children at the gates of our school then please do so. If you need to enter our site, then please do not enter any of the buildings unless prior arrangement has been made. We also ask your assistance in picking up your children. If you need to come on site please arrange to meet your child on the oval where there is more space and more opportunity to abide by social distancing practices. Also please endeavour to leave the site as quickly as possible and at this time refrain from staying to play in our grounds.

Currently we are also undergoing a major upgrade of our office facilities. This means that the office is a construction site and there is no access at all to this area. If you need to speak with someone in the office, please ring and speak over the phone or ring to make an appointment. Thank you once again for your support during these uncertain times.

Stay safe and healthy,

Kris Robson
Principal Blackwood Primary School



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