



BLACKWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

Welcome to the new school year at Blackwood Primary School. Thank you so much to the parents who responded to our online survey. This has helped greatly in planning for the next two weeks. We look forward to welcoming everyone back to the face to face learning environment as soon as possible. In the meantime the following letter outlines a few details about remote learning at Blackwood Primary School.

Remote Learning from Home:

All students should have received, via Seesaw, an individual home learning code for them to access remote learning on Seesaw. This is the platform that children will receive their remote learning tasks on.

Each day your child will receive the following learning:

- An English activity
- A Maths activity
- A Integrated Unit of Inquiry activity

In addition to this children are required to:

- Read for 30minutes (This could be broken up into smaller blocks of time for younger children)
- Engage in Physical Activity and/or Well-being activity for 30mins.

Each morning your child will need to check-in via an online video link with a teacher. The link for this check-in will be posted on Seesaw and these check-ins will take place at the following times:

Year 2s and 3s – 9.00am (In Year 1/2 and Year 2/3 classes)

Year 3s and 4s – 9.30am (In Year 3/4 and Year 4 classes)

Year 5s and 6s – 10.00am (In Year 5/6 classes)

Times have been staggered so families sharing devices can all access the check-in. As per DfE guidelines your child's daily attendance will be marked from their attendance at this check-in unless you have messaged the teacher via Seesaw to let them know that learning will be completed later in the day.

The platform for this check-in will be Zoom. To access the meeting just click on the link and wait for the teacher to begin the session. The first time you access the link you may be asked to download the Zoom App. If you are having difficulties send a message via Seesaw and we will endeavour to help you out.

Attached to this letter is a simple explanation of protocols for these sessions. We would also like to encourage children to be wearing their school uniform as this is a good way for them to move from holiday mode back to school mode.

Your child will need basic stationery ie. 1 book and pencils etc. Many people will have these things at home or you could purchase a book or use one from last year.





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We understand how difficult remote learning can be, especially if you are also trying to work from home, so please just do the best you can and don't worry too much.

Remote Learning at School:

If your child will be engaging in their remote learning from school they will be split into 3 groups, a 2/3 group, a 3/4 group and a 5/6 group. Each group will be supervised by one of our specialist teachers, on a rotational basis, keeping the same teacher with the same children as much as possible. Breaks will also be scheduled in separate areas to the Reception and Year 1 cohort to ensure that the chance of spreading COVID is reduced as much as possible.

As usual, supervision at school will begin at 8.30am. If you need to drop your child to school before this time then you will need to book them in to OSHC. The same applies at the end of the day where supervision finishes at 2.50pm Mondays and 3.40pm Tuesday to Friday.

Children will need to bring their recess and lunch (if not ordering from the canteen). They must bring a **refillable water bottle** as drinking from the fountain is not permitted. Children are expected to wear **school uniform** as for usual school days and will need their **school hat**.

If there is a positive COVID case identified within the school and your child is deemed a 'classroom contact' then you will be notified via an emailed letter. Your child may continue to attend school as long as they are not exhibiting any symptoms (even mild ones), however they will need to avoid attending OSHC, where possible, for 7 days.

If you have any further questions please email them to:

blackwood.news190@schools.sa.edu.au

Looking forward to a different but positive start to the 2022 school year!

Regards,

Kris Robson, Amanda Gulliver, Natalie Campbell



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