

Greystanes Public School

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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

As you may be aware, the Premier of New South Wales and the Department of Education have announced a staged return to school for Term 2.

From Monday 11 May 2020 (Week 3), students will return to school **one day per week**. We have decided to go with sporting houses to ensure we have approximately 25% of students at school each day (as recommended by the Department of Education) as well as ensuring families with more than one student at our school attend on the same day. We will not be able to switch the allocated days as we still need to adhere to the social distancing requirements.

With the exception of a small number of families (to balance the number of students each day) your child/children have been allocated the days below:

Students in sporting house **BENAUD (BLUE)** will attend school on **Monday**.

Students in sporting house **NEWCOMBE (GREEN)** will attend school on **Tuesday**.

Students in sporting house **CUTHBERT (RED)** will attend school on **Wednesday**.

Students in sporting house **GOULD (YELLOW)** will attend school on **Thursday**.

On your child's allocated school day, they will be working on the same 'Learning from Home' unit of work as those who are working from home. Students will be supervised by teachers who will be on site each day but not necessarily by their regular classroom teacher. Your child's class teacher will notify you of his/her sporting house via their learning platform (SeeSaw or Google Classroom).

Our school will be open for those students who are unable to work from home, due to parents working commitments, and on these days they will be continuing to work on the same unit of work. Once again, they will be supervised by a number of teachers who will be on site each day but not necessarily by their regular classroom teacher.

Each unit of work has been developed in accordance with the Department of Education’s suggested curriculum requirements for learning from home and school. The table below provides a guide for the number of hours the students can spend on different curriculum areas.

EARLY STAGE 1	STAGE 1	STAGE 2	STAGE 3
TOTAL 2.5 hours + other	TOTAL 2.5 hours + other	TOTAL 3 hours + other	TOTAL 3 hours + other
45-60 mins English	45-60 mins English	45-60 mins English	45-60 mins English
30-45 mins Mathematics	30-45 mins Mathematics	30-45 mins Mathematics	30-45 mins Mathematics
30-60 mins Other KLAS: Creative arts, HSIE, PDHPE, SciTech	30-60 mins Other KLAS: Creative arts, HSIE, PDHPE, SciTech	60-90 mins Other KLAS: Creative arts, HSIE, PDHPE, SciTech	60-90 mins Other KLAS: Creative arts, HSIE, PDHPE, SciTech
Other activities: wellbeing, sport, physical activity*	Other activities: wellbeing, sport, physical activity*	Other activities: wellbeing, sport, physical activity*	Other activities: wellbeing, sport, physical activity*

There will be staggered recess and lunch times to help maintain social distancing in the playground. Hand soap/sanitiser will be provided for every classroom. Students will be encouraged to wash hands throughout the day. If a student is or becomes sick at school, or displays flu and cold symptoms, parents will be notified.

To help us maintain social distancing to keep everyone safe, we ask that parents and carers follow these guidelines:

- Whilst onsite please observe the 1.5m distance.
- In order to minimise the number of adults on school site, if you have any questions or concerns regarding your child/children, please ring the school office and a staff member will return your call as soon as possible.

Students can be dropped off and picked up from the following areas:

- Kindergarten Grey Gum Area
- Year 1 and 2 Bottlebrush Area
- Year 3 and 4 Canteen/COLA/ Grevillea
- Year 5 and 6 Field COLA

Morning drop off: on the day your child attends school please drop off your child and leave as promptly as possible.

Afternoon pick up: We ask that you arrive at school after 2:45pm to pick up your child and leave as promptly as possible.

Once again, all staff appreciate your ongoing support during this time.

Regards
 Maria Dichiera
 Principal