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SCHOOL UPDATE

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome to Term 3. It is certainly not the beginning of a term we anticipated or wanted, however, it is important that we all follow Public Health guidelines. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation during this challenging time.

Greystanes Public School will remain open for the students and families who need it, although parents and carers will be encouraged to keep their children at home. There will only be minimal staff supervision and we will provide one unit of work for students, whether they are learning from home or in the classroom. K-4 teachers will upload the link to these activities on SeeSaw and Year 5 & 6 teachers will post the link on Google Classroom.

The advice below has been based on Department of Health and Education guidelines.

A reminder for all families

Students should not attend school if unwell, even with mild symptoms of COVID-19. Any person with any COVID-19 symptoms will be sent home and should not return to school until they have received a negative test result and are symptom-free.

In circumstances where children have other medical reasons for recurrent symptoms, a letter from their GP is sufficient to negate the requirement for a negative test.

Anyone who is unwell with COVID-19 symptoms is strongly encouraged to get tested and self-isolate until a negative result is received.

Visitors

Non-essential visitors are not permitted on school sites.

Parents and carers must follow their school's advice regarding changes to student drop off and pick up.

This does not apply to drop off and pick up from Before and After School Care as sign in and out procedures are required.

Parents should:

- follow the physical distancing advice for their local area and avoid gathering outside of school gates
- remain outside of school grounds (some exceptions may exist for vulnerable students or students with disabilities)
- adhere to mask-wearing requirements and sign in using the Service NSW QR code when entering the school.

QR code sign-in process for all staff and visitors

The NSW Government have introduced mandatory QR codes across a range of additional settings, including schools. All staff and visitors permitted on school sites will be required to check in and check out using the QR codes.

Parents and carers or other visitors to the school who do not have access to electronic devices for the purposes of QR check in can:

- authorise another person to provide their contact details on their behalf
- provide their details to the school to be recorded in an appropriate manner for provision to NSW Health should it be required.

School operations

- Further advice will be provided about opportunity class exams.
- Minimum staff on-site to oversee one unit of learning for students attending school site, noting that flexible syllabus requirements are in place.
- Canteens and uniform stores are not to operate.
- Continued enhanced cleaning and hygiene supply arrangements.
- No excursions, including cancellation of Athletics Carnival
- No Scripture-SRE/SEE/VSA.
- No P&C activities on school sites.

We urge all families to check the school app, website and school Facebook page for any updates.

Once again, thank you for your support and understanding.

Regards

Maria Dichiera

Principal