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MESSAGE FROM LIZ

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been so good to have almost all of our students and staff return to the school site this week. The children are working out our cohorting arrangements, and until today, have been enjoying doing lots of learning outside. Teachers have been balancing looking after student wellbeing with learning content, and are being more responsive than ever read the needs of the children. We've all noted as the week has gone on that the children are very tired, and accordingly teachers have responded by planning for more play, creativity and talk time. If there's opportunity on the weekend for them to have 'chill out' time, this might be a good thing. I've also been warmed by the number of parents who've told me this week that they miss their children being at home.

Thank you to all those parents who are following our guidelines and supporting us to keep your children safe. Helping kids in and out of cars morning and afternoon is one of the highlights of my week, and I heard the best story this morning of a young student, who up until our return to school, has been unable to get to the classroom without his mother. Every day now, he bravely kisses his mum on the boundary goodbye, gets himself inside and is even helping others to do the same! How great is that?

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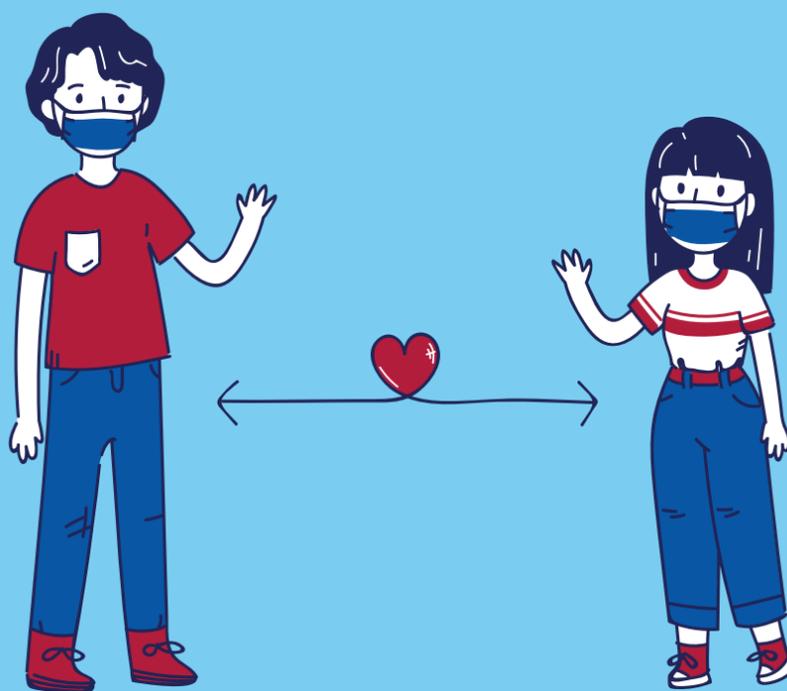
On the down side, I have been very distressed by the behaviour of a small number of our parents who feel that the rules in place regarding that parents/carers must not enter school sites or come onto school grounds to drop off or collect children, does not apply to them. Can I please remind you that you are not allowed in the building or on school grounds without prior negotiation with me for essential reasons, or without a phone call to the front office team who will greet you at the front entry? I have spoken to the staff today about their interactions with non-compliant parents, and have advised them to remind you calmly of the rules. However, I feel it is my right to expect that my staff will not be argued with, or worse, sworn at, when they request that you comply with the regulations about staying off the school grounds. We do this for the safety of all of your children – surely that should be paramount in your mind too?

I do hope you enjoy this weekend – maybe the rain continues, enabling us all to have the excuse to slow down a bit.

Warm regards,

Liz Bobos

Principal, Majura Primary School



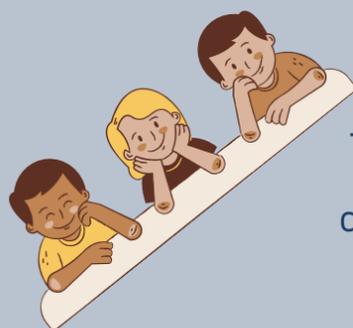


LOCKDOWN UPDATE

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SCHOOL PHOTOS

A number of parents have contacted the school inquiring about sibling photos in our upcoming school photo days. Because of our need to minimise contact between student cohorts, we are unable to offer sibling photos this year. We apologise for any inconvenience.



2022 CLASSES

Teachers are about to start the very careful process of constructing classes for 2022. We collaborate to ensure that we make the most well-balanced groups that best meet the needs of each child. Class lists are reviewed several times by both teachers and executive before they are considered 'final'. Of course it doesn't always work out perfectly, but we do the very best we can, and welcome parent input into the process.

I absolutely do not allow 'teacher shopping' but there may be considerations you'd like us to be aware of when we are placing your child/children into classes for next year. Other children who either work well with your child (or not), the sort of teacher qualities which inspire your child, or unique family circumstances – these are all important factors.

If you do have things you'd like us to consider, please either email or phone either me at liz.bobos@ed.act.edu.au or Jake at Jacob.bindley@ed.act.edu.au

We will do our best to accommodate your needs, and if we are unable to, one of us will phone you before class lists are released.

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CANTEEN

Years 3-6 only

As of next week (Wednesday 10th November) LUNCH orders will be available for pick up at 12:40pm in time for the seniors second and longer break/eating time.

There are a number of students who order RECESS food as well (snacks etc.) These will be available for pick up at 10:30am.



INNER NORTH PLAY SPACE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

The ACT Government is upgrading the green space adjacent to Canberra Technology Park in Watson to provide a wider range of outdoor recreation opportunities for inner north residents (and visitors) of all ages and abilities. The upgrade will feature a new play space and recreation park.

You are invited to help shape the future upgrade by telling us what recreation facilities and play equipment you would like considered.

Children can have their say too by sharing a drawing or short story (or both) that shows what they would most like to see at the new inner north play space.

To learn more visit www.yoursayconversations.act.gov.au/inner-north-play-space.

Consultation closes Tuesday 14 December.

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