



Tuesday, August 10, 2021

Dear parents and carers of Broadbeach State School students,

I am sure you all agree that the announcement of the lifting of the lockdown was welcome news. Staff are keen to welcome your children back to school tomorrow. I extend my sincere thanks for keeping your children home last week and for your time in the "teacher role".

Although students return to school tomorrow, there are a few conditions we must adhere to in order for face-to-face teaching to resume:

- **Parents must wear masks** when delivering or collecting students from the school gates.
- As per the Director General's (Tony Cook) directive, parents and carers are **not to enter** the school grounds "**unless it is absolutely necessary**" e.g. supporting students with special needs
- There will be no **access to classrooms** and no face-to-face meetings will be arranged.
- **Staff** members will be required to **wear masks** on site.
- **Students** in primary schools will **not have to wear masks** at this time, however they will be permitted to do so should you want them.
- Students who are **unwell will require immediate collection** and must remain at home until well. If they have COVID-19 symptoms, they must undergo a COVID-19 test.
- **1.5m physical distancing** remains for all adults.
- Staff meetings will be conducted online to avoid congregating.
- **All extra-curricular activities** have been postponed until further notice e.g. dance, choir, chess etc.
- **Student of the week** presentations in the James Centre will be **postponed** until further notice.

Additional information and suggestions:

- Specific details about **delivery and collection of Prep students** will be sent in a separate communication to parents of Prep students only.
- The **Broadie Bite** (tuckshop) will recommence services from Monday.
- Parents dropping or collecting students from the OSHC service are to maintain the same protocol as last week – call the service when arriving at The James Centre where a staff member will escort students to/from the service and coordinate the checkin/checkout procedure via iPad
- If delivering or collecting students by car, continue to use the Kiss'N'Go facilities on Mary Avenue and Old Bureigh Road. If **collecting your child in person**, please wait inside the northern oval gate for your child to be dismissed. Remind them of this collection point.
- I respectfully request that you do not access the administration office in person, unless absolutely necessary. Instead, please call the administration team on 55708444 or use email, admin@broadbeachss.eq.edu.au.

It is certainly welcome news to have students back in classrooms tomorrow. As the Chief Medical Officer stated today, "we are not yet out of the woods". With this in mind, I thank you in anticipation for your adherence to the protocols outlined above.

Regards

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