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Dear Parents and Carers of the Broadbeach School community,

The Premier announced yesterday that from **Monday 11 May 2020**, students in Prep and Year 1 will be able to return to their primary school. We look forward to seeing our youngest students in our classrooms again.

Children of **essential workers and vulnerable children** will continue to be able to attend school **for supervision**.

I recognise and respect that some of you may **choose to keep your child at home** due to ongoing concerns about COVID-19. This is an acceptable decision and your child will not be marked as being absent, rather that they are learning from home. It is important for parents to advise the school of a student absence as you would normally and to contact us to discuss the remote learning options.

As part of the risk reduction measures, **access to school grounds** for parents will be very limited. I ask you to pay particular attention to the requirement for **adults** to maintain physical **distancing of 1.5m** at all times. This includes while waiting for your children in the afternoon. I therefore request the use of the collection zone on the Old Burleigh Road side of the school where practical.

A summary of the logistics for access to, and movement around the school will be prepared and sent to you prior to the end of this week. This summary will be placed on the Term 2 Learning@Broadie News Story on our website.

It is **essential that you keep your child home from school if they are unwell**. In accordance with <u>Queensland Health Directions</u> parents or carers of any child showing signs of illness will be asked to collect them immediately from the school.

For **students in Years 2 – 6**, the current **home-based learning** arrangements will remain in place. If low COVID-19 transmission rates continue, students in Years 2 – 6 will be able to return to school from **Monday 25 May 2020**. Confirmation of this step will be made by 15 May 2020.

<u>Frequently asked questions</u> are available to assist you in understanding how schools will be implementing the transition back to school-based learning.

If your child is in Years 2-6, teachers will continue to deliver prepared lessons and materials via home-based learning, as they have over the last two weeks. In these cases **you** remain responsible for your children. This includes ensuring your children stay at home and continue their learning using the materials that have been prepared and distributed

You may also find useful:

- <u>Learning@home TV</u> broadcast on channel 7TWO from 8:30–10:30am every Monday,
 Wednesday and Friday (excluding public holidays) which features Queensland curriculum-based
 lessons prepared and delivered by some of Queensland's outstanding school teachers. Content
 will cover English, Mathematics and Science lessons, along with health and wellbeing
 segments, with special guest appearances.
- Reading@home TV Tuesday and Thursday 8:30–9:00am on channel 9GO;
- Coding@home TV Wednesdays and Fridays 11:30am 12:00pm on 10 Peach; and
- eBooks Digital Library see Virtual Classrooms to access the free online eBook Library

The decision to return Kindy, Prep, Year 1, Year 11 and Year 12 back to school is an important next step towards returning to our regular school routines, and I will continue to update you as soon as any new information becomes available.

I am **proud** of the way the **Broadbeach State School community** has adjusted to ensure that learning for our students continues during these restrictions. Your commitment has contributed positively to the low COVID-19 transmission rates that, if continued, will ensure all our students are back with their teachers in classrooms very soon.

Stay safe and keep smiling.

Bruce Langes



Click here for information to schools from the Chief Health Officer in relation to students returning to school

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