

30 April 2020

FOR YOUR DIARY

MAY

Fri 15 National Walk to School Day
Tue 26 National Sorry Day
Wed 27-Fri 29 National Reconciliation Week

JUNE

Mon 1 – Wed 3 National Reconciliation Week

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parent/Caregiver,

It has been excellent to see South Australian's doing a great job of self-isolating and following the other risk reducing activities to limit the COVID-19 virus. So much so, we've started this term almost oppositely as we were expecting at the end of last term – rather than having everyone home self-isolating we've started the term with 85% attendance which is fantastic given we usually average 90% attendance during the year. This unexpected change in large numbers of students returning to classes across the state has and will provide some challenges for our teachers as they cater for classroom based and online learning for their students at the same time. I am sure that parents will show understanding as we work through this complexity in trying to support our learners at school as well as at home.

Our Chief Medical Officer has declared schools safe, additional cleaning measures for playgrounds have been implemented on top of the continuation of last terms additional cleaning of buses, and classrooms during the middle and end of the day. Staff are trying their best to implement safe social distancing measures where possible. We are hopeful that these measures will assist with continuing to help reduce the COVID-19 curve, as we look forward to the possibility of the easing of restrictions from the State and Federal Governments.

Students were very excited to be back at school on Monday, there was a real buzz in the air across the school. Students have very quickly settled back into their classroom routines and are focussing on their learning.

Please don't hesitate to contact your child's class teacher or myself if you have any concerns this term.

SUPERVISION AT SCHOOL

Families are reminded that children are not to be on school ground prior to 8.30am. Staff supervision does not commence until this time.

KONNECTIVE APP.

A number of parents have not yet registered, please do so, as we are using this as a main point of quick contact and Covid-19 parent information. You need to register to join our Konnective Group using your device.




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can provide the following services:

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- Financial Counselling

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Free parenting webinar

Children and screens: adapting to this new reality



A free webinar not to be missed!
Register now to hear Dr Justin Coulson and Dr Kristy Goodwin answer common concerns for parents in this new situation:

- are my children spending too much time on screens?
- how should I handle 'techno-tantrums' when it's time to turn screens off?
- how can I manage children's screen use when I'm working at home too?

Dr Kristy Goodwin
www.happyfamilies.com.au

Dr Justin Coulson
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Register at
www.happyfamilies.com.au/parentingsa

You will also receive a link to view the webinar recording after the event. This session is designed for parent/careers of children 4-13 years.

Tuesday 12 May
When: 7:00pm – SA, NT
7:30pm – Qld, NSW, Vic, ACT, Tas
6:15pm – Eucla
5:30pm – WA

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