



## Term 3 Update

Dear Parents and Guardians,

The NT Government has released and implemented a [Roadmap to the New Normal](#), which set out a three stage recovery process with additional activities, services and functions permitted at each stage. Stage three of the roadmap commenced on 5 June 2020. The Roadmap is underpinned by three principles; personal responsibility, physical distancing and hygiene. In our schools' context, this means:

- Continuing to reiterate that all members of our school community must take personal responsibility to follow the principles in the Roadmap, and encourage their friends and families to do so as well.
- Continuing to take appropriate measures to maximise physical distancing in the school environment where possible.
- Continuing to enhance safety in the school environment by practising, and supporting students to practice, good hygiene.

Hopefully all parents have read the Term 3 update and information from the NT Department of Education that was sent on Tuesday. We also provided our own update in the Larrakeyah Digest in the last week of Term 2.

Although the NT borders have opened, the school is continuing to implement measures for the safety of students and staff due to COVID-19. These measures we already have in place concerning increased cleaning, hygiene and physical distancing where possible in a school environment. Students are still required to bring a water bottle to school. Water bubblers can be used for filling bottles but not for direct drinking from taps.

The school is still minimising the number of people entering the school grounds, particularly at drop off/pick up times.

To minimise the number of people moving in and out of the school grounds, particularly at drop off and pick up times, please be aware of the following:

- We have requested that parents “drop and go” if possible and reduce their time on school grounds. This means accessing Marella Street to “drop and go” or the front of the school drop off/pick up zone.
- To avoid groups of parents gathering and waiting outside classrooms, please drop your child at school and leave as quickly as possible.
- It is not always necessary to walk children all the way to the classroom. Some parents have been walking to the front of the school and then children walk themselves to the classroom.

- To avoid congestion outside classrooms, some parents who walk children to school have organised with their child a place in the school to drop off/pick up ie. outside front office, outside library, Marella St walkway. This has worked really well.
- Please do not enter classrooms.
- Ensure 1.5m distance between people.
- Parents and students are not to gather or play on playground equipment after school. Students dismissed from school are required to go home immediately.

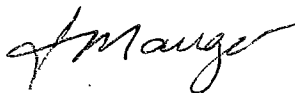
Staff do not like to remind parents of these measures that have been in place since last term, so please help us by following the above.

Please note, no person including staff, students or visitors should come onto school grounds if:

- they are unwell;
- they are awaiting the outcome of a test for COVID-19;
- they have been directed by relevant authorities to quarantine or self-isolate; or
- in the last 14 days, they have travelled to a place identified by the Australian Health Protection Principal Committee (AHPPC) as a COVID-19 hot spot.

We understand that some of these measures may seem difficult but we need to follow the advice given for the protection of our staff and students.

Regards,



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