



Cambridge Park Public School

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Dear Parents/Carers

To help keep our school community safe, I would like to advise that there has been an update of guidelines for schools which need to be **implemented and compliant** by Wednesday 19 August 2020.

To help mitigate the risks posed by COVID-19 to our school community, a number of new measures have been taken in consultation with NSW Health. As the situation in Victoria illustrates, it is critical we take every reasonable precaution to halt the spread of COVID-19 in our communities.

In accordance with advice from NSW Health, parents and carers are reminded NOT to send children to school if they are unwell, even if they have the mildest flu-like symptoms. Our school will make arrangements for students who present as unwell or have flu like symptoms to be sent home.

NSW Health have requested that schools encourage anyone who is unwell or has even mild flu-like symptoms, to arrange to be tested through their local medical practitioner or one of the COVID-19 clinics.

We ask that you call or email our school that your child has been tested, providing the location where the testing took place. cambridgpk-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Students and staff with flu like symptoms will need to provide a copy of a negative COVID-19 test result before being permitted to return to school!

Students must not come to school if they are unwell. Even with very mild symptoms. The negative COVID-19 test result must be sighted and received by the school for both students and staff members before their return to school.

Non Denominational Special Religious Education lessons will begin from week 5 this term with restrictions negotiated with our volunteers who provide these lessons. We continue to work with our Catholic volunteers to establish a start date for term 3.

Parents/carers and other non-essential visitors are not allowed on the school site. We encourage our families to use DOJO or email to communicate with our teachers and staff members. Parent/ teacher meetings will be online unless involving serious matters that require face to face discussion.

Barlow St entrance:

Preschool families are welcome to enter our school site from 8:45am/2:45pm and proceed to our Preschool entrance. Parents of Support Unit and K-6 students who are collecting their children from this entrance are asked to social distance and stand in front of the old Health room. Our recent enclosed bus bay located behind the old health room is for our Support Unit students. We ask that parents and siblings not enter this area.

Kindergarten and Preschool orientation remains on hold. We are developing online resources to support our 2021 enrolments. Our school run playgroup also remains on hold at this time.

Responding to COVID-19 cases

There is a clear plan in place for our school to respond to any suspected or confirmed cases of COVID-19 in our school. We are working closely with NSW Health and will communicate with parents if a situation arises.



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Have your details changed?

If you have updated your mobile phone number or email address since March 2020 please contact our school and update your details. We welcome you to email our school with updated information at any time cambridgpk-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au. Part of our response plan is to communicate via our DOJO and school STAR app. **Ensure you are connected.** If you require support with these applications please contact Donna Sirmais Donna.Sirmais1@det.nsw.edu.au

Students should continue to bring water bottles from home, rather than drink directly from the bubbler.

Physical distancing

Physical distancing of students in schools is not required under the AHPPC guidelines. All teachers, support staff and parents must maintain physical distance from each other (1.5m).

Parents should ensure school pick up and drop off arrangements enable them to physically distance from one another and from staff.

Changes to pick up arrangements

Our school community has expressed concerns with the lack of social distancing occurring at our pick up times. The following procedures will now be in place from 2:45pm Wednesday 19 August. These procedures will be trialled and modified when needed.

Teenage siblings are unable to enter our school site. If your family requires an older sibling to collect a K-2 student before 3pm, please write or call me to further discuss.

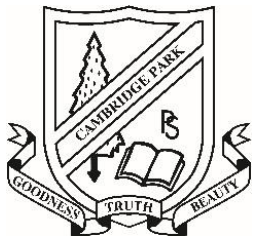
We must ensure we use one entrance and one exit point for the majority of our community. There are some exceptions, but we ask that our families support our procedures to keep our community safe.

Limit: 1 adult per family will be able to enter the school site to collect children K-2 and Support Unit students.

2:45pm-3pm:

Kindergarten, Year 1, Year 2, Support Unit students and their siblings will be ready for collection outside the youngest child's classroom.

Possums, Wallabies, Geckos, Stingrays, Banksias and Butterflies	Sugar Gliders, Cassowaries, Quokkas and Fairy Penguins	Sharks, Blue Tongues, Paper Daisies, Kangaroos
exit ONLY via west car park gate.	exit ONLY via Oxford St central gate	exit ONLY via bus gate
Students K-2 who would normally <u>not</u> be collected will be dismissed at 3pm as usual.	Students uncollected in K-2 at 3pm will be taken to our central Oxford St driveway with their class teacher for collection.	



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3pm:

Years 3-6 dismissed signalled by our bell. Parents are not permitted to enter the school grounds of children in these classes. Please make arrangements to collect your child at the identified gate.

Cockatoos, Kingfishers, Echidnas, Flying foxes	Koalas, Bilbies, Tasmanian Devils, Dugongs	Eagles, Dingoes and Emus
exit via Bus Gate	West car park gate	exit via Oxford St central gate
Or exit via Barlow St Gate		

We hope that the early time for our K-2 and Support Unit families will reduce parking concerns around our school. We kindly ask and promote that one family member of Year 3-6 students arrive after 2:55pm to collect your child/children. These family members will not be able to enter our school site. Please practice social distancing while waiting outside our school gates.

We are all living through a period of tremendous upheaval and it is perfectly understandable to feel a sense of unease about it all. With that in mind, please contact me or Mr Bourke at any time to discuss concerns you may have with the procedures our school has put in place.

Kind Regards

Katrina Berwick
Principal

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