



Pittwater House

From the Head of Junior Schools

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

As we prepare to return to Term 2, in whatever guise it may take, I would like to take the opportunity to welcome you back to the School community; while we may be isolated from each other, we are not alone. Our thoughts are with your families and our precious students. We miss having the opportunity to provide and guide their learning experiences with them on campus.

Surely though, the positive attitude that has been demonstrated by our families in carrying out social distancing and isolation properly, as directed by the authorities, has done much to stem the spread of COVID 19 in our community. We must continue to listen to and be guided by them for our safety.

As such, I would like to reassure you that the Junior School teachers have been working over their break to ensure the quality of the remote programs they have been preparing, and will be delivering, over the next number of weeks have been very carefully planned. We have all learned a great deal about this adjusted style of teaching and learning.

While we will be in an online learning environment, **gradually reintroducing children to the physical school environment from Week 3**, students will be expected to participate in their normal school day and engage in their scheduled lessons at home. The class teachers will be marking attendance during period 1. If your child is unwell and cannot attend to their remote learning, then an attendance *Skoolbag* notification will need to be completed. (as per regular school attendance).

For children of parents who physically have to leave home to work, school will be open for remote learning to take place. There will be supervision for these students, however they will not necessarily have their class teacher. In order to prepare for this supervision would you please complete the attached form if your child will need to be on the premises.

To assist the students, the teachers have put together an activity pack which will complement their remote learning. These can be collected from the South Creek Road Kiss and Drop drive through lane on Monday 27 April. We will have staff in place ready to hand your bag through the car window. Siblings bags can be collected at the same time. Please see the table below for your class collection time.

Kindergarten and Year 1:	9:00 – 10:00 am
Year 2 and Year 3:	10:00 – 11:00am
Year 4:	11:00am – 12:00pm
Year 5:	12:00 – 1:00pm
Year 6:	1:00 – 2:00pm

Information regarding the reintroduction of classes to school from Week 3 will follow next week.

Yours Sincerely,

Ruth Achurch
Head of Junior Schools

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