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Dear Parents and Carers

Re COVID 19 Update

With a few cases of COVID 19 popping up in our school community can you kindly review the following information and please do not hesitate to contact the school if you have further questions.

Students and staff should continue to stay home when sick

Students, staff and visitors should only attend school when they are symptom free. We strongly encourage all students, staff and visitors to follow the [guidance issued by NSW Health](https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/testing-managing) which can be accessed at <https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/testing-managing> . We will continue to send home students or staff displaying symptoms.

Anyone who believes they have been exposed to COVID-19 is strongly recommended to monitor for symptoms and test if they have any concerns, as well as wear a mask. We will continue to support our families to use rapid antigen tests (RATs) if symptomatic or if you believe you have been exposed to COVID-19. RAT testing may help identify the infection early and is important if you are in contact with people at greater risk of serious illness if exposed to COVID-19. We can provide RATs and masks if needed, please contact the office.

Current reporting requirements

Please continue to notify the school if your child tests positive to COVID-19 and we will continue to advise the school community of any known positive cases to prioritise student and staff safety and wellbeing.

For further information about the COVID-smart measures in place this term kindly refer to the departments Advice [for](https://education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/advice-for-families) families page which can be accessed at

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/advice-for-families>

Non-COVID-19 Vaccinations reminder from NSW Health

Due to the ongoing pandemic and stay-at-home orders that were in place over the previous two years, NSW Health have noted that some children and young people have missed out on the non-COVID school-based vaccination programs that they would have taken part in. The department would like to remind parents and carers to make sure that all of their child's vaccinations are up-to-date, including other non-COVID vaccinations. If you are unsure about whether your child has missed any vaccinations, speak to your GP or go to [NSW Health's Immunisation requirements in primary and secondary school](https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/immunisation/Pages/immunisation-in-schools.aspx) which can be accessed at <https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/immunisation/Pages/immunisation-in-schools.aspx>

Parents and carers who have children with persistent or ongoing [symptoms of COVID-19](#) are encouraged to have these assessed by their local health care professional. These symptoms may be related to other illnesses that require treatment and management by a doctor.

On behalf of staff our thanks for your ongoing support in helping to keep our students, staff and community safe. Wishing all students and their families a safe end to Term 4.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Mary Doolan', written over a horizontal line.

Mary Doolan

Principal