

HALLETT COVE R-12 SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Caregivers,

RE: COVID-19 Update

The Premier today announced that schools and preschools will reopen to all students on **Wednesday, 28 July 2021**.

Teaching and Learning Program

Schools are open as normal, from Wednesday, 28 July 2021. This means that all teaching and learning programmes are returning to the normal face-to-face delivery. We will not be offering an alternative home-based learning program.

We look forward to welcoming all of our students back onsite.

Sick Children

If your child is sick, do not send them to school.

If your child presents with symptoms of being unwell, you will be contacted and directed to take them off site.

We appreciate your support in ensuring we keep all of our staff and students safe at this time.

Children in Quarantine

If your child/family has been directed into quarantine by SA Health, this mandate must continue and your child is not permitted to return to school until after the period of time has been completed.

If you are impacted by this directive, please complete an exemption form for your child's absence from school. Forms can be found on the school website.

Adults Onsite

As the Chief Public Health Officer stated today, just because the hard lockdown is being lifted does not mean that the risks associated with COVID-19 have passed. As a result we will continue to minimise the number of people **coming and going** from our site.

All adults will be required to pick up / drop off students from school gates. Please do not enter school grounds.

Events, Excursions and Camps

We currently do not have any immediate events, excursions or camps planned for the next few weeks. As we know more in the coming days about any restrictions in place, further communication will be distributed via Seesaw, Daymap and/or email to those impacted by any required changes to events.

Out of School Hours Care (OSHC)

Our Out of School Hours Care (OSHC) service will continue as normal for all students who access it before and/or after school hours.



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Masks

Face masks must be worn by all students from Years 8 – 12.

Students are required to wear masks when inside buildings, in classes, and when congregating (for example, at the canteen). If students catch public transport to and from school, they are also required to wear masks at these times.

Students are not required to wear masks for Physical Education lessons, and when outside at Recess and Lunch.

Cleaning Practices

To reassure families of our site hygiene processes, our ongoing cleaning includes:

- Cleaning with bleach based products each afternoon
- Cleaning throughout the school day, focusing on bathrooms, refilling of soap stations and other high traffic areas
- Hand sanitisers are located in classrooms and common areas for student access

Additionally, we have signage located around the site encouraging students to maintain positive hygiene practices.

To support our hygiene practices, we encourage families to ensure students do not need to share stationery or other equipment (for example; phones, headphones, computer mouse) with peers.

Please be aware that physical distancing in individual classrooms is not possible.

Contact Details

Please ensure your current emergency details are current on Daymap, or alternatively contact your child's Home Group teacher (R-6 via Seesaw and 7-12 via email) or the relevant school secretary to update them for you.

Your prompt attention in ensuring your contact details remain current is appreciated.

Thank You

I thank you for your ongoing support, patience and understanding as we continue to navigate this unique situation. I also recognise and thank all our teachers and support staff in advance, for the on-going adapting to the evolving environment.

As we have all year, Hallett Cove School will continue make decisions that align with the advice from SA Health and the Department for Education, in the best interests of our staff, students and the wider community.

Should you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher, the appropriate leader or email info@hcs.sa.edu.au.

Yours sincerely,



Tony Hall
A/Principal