



PARENT BRIEFING #2 - TERM ONE

Sunday 31 January 2021

Dear Parents and Caregivers

As we move closer to the first day of school in 2021 I would like to reiterate to all in our community that the Liwara Catholic Primary School leadership and staff are rigorously committed to our motto, 'Strength In Community', and with this always at the core of our decision making the staff, as a united body, worked with the Leadership Team on the draft of Parent Briefing #1, sent out last week.

I understand that some parents are nervous for their child as they begin a new school year and I respect their suggestions and strong recommendations as to how they believe the first day back at school should 'look like', however, my priority is the safety of all our community especially our students and staff and I repeat....' as there has been no change to the COVID-19 Roadmap by the Premier since schools closed in December. The Western Australian Government COVID-19 Roadmap remains at Phase 4 and the CEWA Phase 4 School Operations Guidelines issued on 29 June 2020 remains in place.'

With the myriad of challenges that members of our community are dealing with at home and work due to COVID-19 restrictions, I thank you all for your good judgement at the start of the 2021 school year, in keeping our Liwara community safe. I ask you all to stay focused and make an informed decision, for your individual family, reflecting carefully on the words in the Parent Briefing #1 document. Staff will be stationed at gates to support those families who choose the drop off option.

Like all families, I can assure you that this is not the way we as a staff body hoped the 2021 school year would begin, but understand that to continue to keep our community 'strong & safe' we must abide by the WA Government and CEWA Phase 4 School Operations Guidelines.

PRE PRIMARY TO YEAR 6 - CLASSROOMS WILL BE OPENED EARLIER ON MONDAY 1 FEBRUARY (FROM 8.20am) TO ALLOW ALL OUR STUDENTS TO SETTLE IN, AS PARENTS ARE UNABLE TO ENTER THE CLASSROOMS WITH STUDENTS PRESENT.

PRE KINDY & KINDY – CLASSROOMS WILL BE OPENED AT 8.45.

STUDENTS ATTENDING SCHOOL - THREE YEAR OLD PRE-KINDERGARTEN TO YEAR 6

 Please remember that only school children are to enter classrooms and parents must abide by the two square metre rule distancing from all students and from other families when on the school grounds.

I will keep you updated with any changes and I thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Andrea Millar PRINCIPAL