

29 April 2020

RE: Term 2 AT LALOR PARK PUBLIC SCHOOL

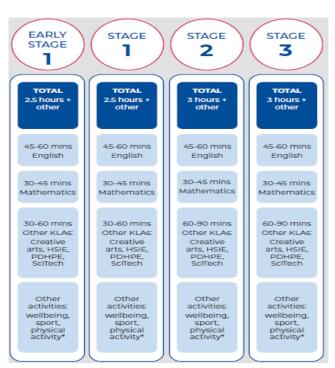
Dear Parents and Carers

Firstly, all the staff would like to thank you for the amazing support you have shown towards the staff and working together to help flatten the curve and reduce the spread of Covid-19. Without your support this would have been a much more difficult process for the staff of Lalor Park Public School to go through.

It has been a very busy and confusing time with all the different information coming from the media, governments both State and Federal and social media. Please be advised that what we need to follow is given to us by the NSW Department of Education.

Our Learning from Home Model

Lalor Park Public School's Learning from Home model will continue from today the 29th April similar to the end of last term. Families who are able to keep their children home to learn remotely are asked to please do so to assist us with social distancing. However, if you are an essential worker or feel school is where your child needs to be, we have supervision in place to support students to work through their learning packs like the students at home. To assist you in managing Learning from Home the Department of Education has provided some guidance on the number of hours a day a student could be working towards.





Technology Update

We have been able to commence the loaning of devices (iPads/ lap tops) to help ease the burden at home with shared or lack of devices. If you feel you may need to speak to the school regarding the access to a loan device please call the school office between 8.30am - 3.30pm each day.

All our learning videos are still being uploaded to the school website daily, all students are aware of their colour group and the learning they are required to complete. Students are able to engage in some learning sessions via Google Classroom with their classroom teachers, they can all post their questions here or message the school from their student email.

Communication with the school

As the school office is open Monday to Friday between 8.30am - 3.00pm you can call to leave a message for your child's teacher to call you. Remember if the teacher is working remotely they will return the call from NO CALLER ID so please answer. In addition to the office number, please be advised you are able to contact the school mobile between the hours of 8:00am and 6:00pm Monday to Friday. The number is: 0474 930 189.

Alternatively, you can email the school on lalorpark-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au This email is checked regularly and forwarded to your child's classroom teacher for a response and a response will come back to you via the school email.

Morning Drop Off and Afternoon Pick Ups - Northcott and Carpark gates only

We are asking that parents remain in cars when dropping off students to the school. We will not be allowing parents to enter the school grounds. There will be a teacher at the Northcott and carpark gates to greet the students as they arrive. Please do not congregate outside the school to 'have a chat' with another parent. If everyone works together we should be able to keep the students and the traffic flowing.

In the afternoon students will be walked to the Northcott and car park gates for pick up. Please make sure your child knows which gate they will be collected from.

Attendance

If you decide to keep your child home during these return to school phases, due to virus concerns or special needs concerns, they will be marked as doing flexible learning — as long as they have been logged in via School Stream to say they are in attendance for learning and returning the physical work to school each fortnight.

Feedback on Learning

If you have not returned your child/ren's completed learning packs please do so as soon as possible. Teachers need time to review all completed work to provide feedback in the next learning package that commences in week 3.

Additionally, all familiar reading books from the first learning packs need to be returned for sanitation and re-distribution.

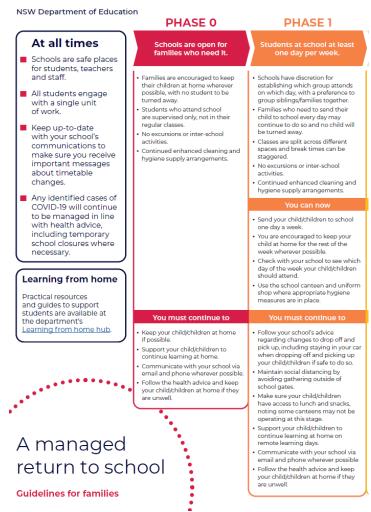


Return to School Survey

We will be sending out a very short survey soon to see what your intentions will be with your child/ren from week 3 onwards. I encourage everybody to fill this out so that the school has enough staff to make sure the students are covered, the teachers and students are safe, and that we can apply the social distancing measures we need to abide to at the moment.

Phased Returning to School

On Monday 11 May, we will move into Phase One of the managed return to school for students. In this phase, all NSW students will attend school one day per week and learn remotely 4 days per week. It is anticipated that all NSW students will increase the number of days at school before the end of the term, under the advice of NSW Health. There will be additional cleaning during the day at school and social distancing measures in place. It has not been confirmed how long Phase One will go for.





Our Phased Plan

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2/6W	4/6R	Preschool Red	2/3F	Preschool Blue
1/2C	5/6H	K/4V	KR	5/6U
3/4E		K/4A	K/4N	
Students of essential workers and high needs students				

We understand that this maybe difficult for some families with multiple students but when we factor in everything, this model works best for our students needs. The positives to come out of this:

- Students get to see their friends from their class group.
- Most students will get face-to-face teaching time with their teacher who can clarify anything to do with the work provided.
- Students can have a break from siblings who they may have been in isolation with for a number of weeks.

Finally, we are encouraging all students to bring a personal drink bottle which can be filled at the taps as the bubblers are not in use as they are being replaced. Please also remember if your child is attending school they must bring their learning packs and their own personal writing equipment.

Thank you again for all your support and understanding.

Kindest Regards

Mrs. Deanne Taylor

Principal