

## Being Healthy and Safe When Returning to School from May 11

Health and hygiene are priorities during the COVID 19 pandemic. We need students to behave in a safe and responsible way, helping to protect their own health and that of other students and the staff. We will be grateful if parents and carers can also stress the following key messages to their children.

## We ask students to:

- Stay home when unwell.
- (Parents: please do not send students to school if they are feeling unwell. If a student is unwell during the school day, they might not be able to remain in the sick bay. In such cases, parents will be asked to collect unwell students from school.)
- Assist in keeping classroom desks and school equipment clean when directed by the teacher.
- Engage in regular handwashing and sanitising, especially before eating during breaks.
- Not share drinks or food bring a water bottle as our 5 bottle refill stations will be operating.
- Maintain social distancing in the playground areas and when queuing at the canteen

   floor markings for canteen lines will be created to assist with this.
- Bring all your own equipment including books, pens, pencils, calculators, rulers and anything else needed it is best that there be no sharing amongst students.
- Cough or sneeze into your elbows. Avoid touching your face.
- Use soap, sanitisers and other health items in a responsible manner, knowing that these are being used by other people.

These safety and hygiene practices will be supported by:

- hand sanitiser in classrooms
- additional cleaning that is being undertaken with special attention to cleaning of desks doorknobs, bathrooms and other surfaces.

Safety needs to be everybody's priority. It is important for students to recognise that their own behaviour impacts on others, and so it needs to be safe and responsible. Unsafe or irresponsible behaviour can become a discipline matter when it infringes on the safety of others.

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