



Year 2 Parent Zoom Session

Wednesday 20th October, 2021

11:00 am





To our
Parents
and
Carers,

Thank
you!



Return to School - Department of Education Guidelines

- Years 2 to 6 will return to school on **Monday 25th October.**
- We are following the Department of Education guidelines: 'COVID Safe School Operations' to ensure your child's safety when they return to school.



Return to School - Department of Education Guidelines

The guidelines include:

- All staff members being fully vaccinated
- All staff members wearing masks
- Enhanced cleaning of learning spaces
- No mixing of grades across the school
- Staggered eating and play times for grades
- Masks are recommended for students but the decision will be made by parents
- Regular washing of hands
- No parents allowed onsite
- Students enter through the school gates and walk straight to their classrooms. Staff will be monitoring students in classes from 8:30am
- Staggered dismissal arrangements
- The canteen will be open for LUNCH ORDERS ONLY



Return to School - Department of Education Guidelines

- We will be pausing the following activities:
 - Whole school and grade assemblies
 - Scripture
 - Singing, choir, band, dance
 - Homework until students settle back into school
 - Home Reading books – students are encouraged to read the PM e-collection of books online. Logins were sent during home learning. If you need the login details, please speak to your child's teacher.
- We will continue the following activities:
 - Community Language
 - Library lessons
 - EAL/D in-class support
 - Class based sport



Attendance

Why attendance matters

When your child misses school they miss important opportunities to...



Learn



Build friendships



Develop life skills

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Days missed = years lost

A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...

they miss weeks per year

and years over their school life



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4 weeks



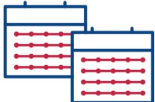
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Over **1** year missed



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8 weeks



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Over **2.5** years missed

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Attendance



- All students are to return to school on Monday 25th October as schools have been made operational.
- Students who are unable to return due to underlying health conditions which place them or a household member at greater risk of COVID-19 will need to seek a medical certificate which will need to be approved by the Principal.
- Students who do not return on the 25th October due to a parental decision will be marked as absent. Please note: teachers will not be uploading activities to Seesaw for these children like we did during the Home Learning Period.
- Online frameworks will stop at the end of this week. Only students who are medically exempt will be provided with work.



Attendance

- Please remember if your child is feeling unwell or showing flu like symptoms, please keep your child at home.
- Any child who shows flu like symptoms at school will be sent to sick bay. A phone call will be made home.





Student Learning

- When students return to school, we will focus on a variety of learning experiences that involve:
 - focusing on student wellbeing
 - revisiting school routines
 - revising school behaviour expectations
 - developing social skills
 - forming friendships
 - learning to work with others again
 - focusing on literacy and numeracy concepts
 - developing fundamental movement skills
 - fun and exciting activities in all Learning Areas





Eating and Play Times



- All Hurstville Public School students will eat and play in designated playgrounds around the school.
- K-2 and 3-6 will have staggered eating and play times.
- Year 2 students will have recess, lunch and play in Area 5. This will also assist with their transition into the bigger playground for next year.
- Year 2 will have recess and lunch at the following times:
 - **Recess:** 10:30am to 10.55am
 - **Lunch Eating Time:** 12.20pm to 12.30pm
 - **Lunch Play Time:** 12.30pm to 1.10pm



Dismissal Arrangements

- Afternoon dismissal will look similar to the start of this year.
- Year 2 students will be picked up from the following gates at **2.50pm**.
 - **Gate 6 (Kenwyn Street driveway)**
 - 2F – Miss Mansour
 - 2B – Miss Charlton & Mrs Bonello
 - **Gate 8 (Back gate near Canteen)**
 - 2A – Miss Allen
 - 2L – Miss Sankey & Mrs Cusumano
 - **Gate 10 (Back gate near Dental Clinic)**
 - 2S – Mrs Smyrniotis
- If your child attends After School Care (in school), they will be taken to Area 4 to meet their teachers.
- If your child attends After School Care (Adventist), they will be picked up from Gate 8 and Gate 10.
- **If you require other dismissal arrangements, please return the dismissal note to your child's teacher on the first day back to school.**





What to bring to school

- School hat
- School jacket or jumper
- Water bottle
- Food for Crunch n Sip, Recess and Lunch
The canteen will only be open for lunch orders. There will be no additional buying at recess and lunch.





Preparing your child for their first day back to school



Before Monday 25th October

- Read the Social Story on Seesaw with your child.
- Ask your child how they are feeling about returning to school.
- Remind your child that they can talk to their teacher about how they are feeling. It is also very important that if something happens at school that they tell a teacher.
- Practise packing your child's school bag together.
- Get your child to practise putting on their school uniform and shoes.



Preparing your child for their first day back to school



On Monday 25th October

- It is important to arrive on time to school.
- Smile – try not to let your child see that you are anxious.
- Take your child to the gate, reassure them, hug and kiss them, and then say goodbye.
- If your child is upset, there will be school staff at the gates to help you.
- Be on time to pick up your child in the afternoon from the correct gate.



Question Time!

- Please feel free to ask Mrs Maakaroun, Mr Steed or myself a question. You can use the chat box or zoom session to ask a question about supporting your child during learning from home.
- All questions are warmly welcomed!
- This presentation will be placed on the website and into Seesaw classes for parents to view.

