

Dryandra Primary School

Independent Public School

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Dear parent/carers,

I would like to sincerely thank everyone for your patience as I attempted to provide information about the commencement of Term 2 through the TEXT messaging service. I realise that this may have been disruptive, but there was no other way that I could contact all of the parent community during the holiday break. It was essential to highlight all of the changes that the State Government and the Department of Education had announced, due to the COVID-19 (coronavirus), and the new procedures to implement these changes at the school level.

The biggest challenge for us was to avoid parents meeting in large groups outside classrooms. This policy was the main reason why we needed to allocate pick up and drop off points around the school. Thank you to everyone for accommodating this change.

Kiss and Drive	Kindergarten and Pre-primary
Dryandra Drive gate (see signs on gates)	Year 1 students (A Block)
McFarlane Circle (near basketball courts)	Year 2/3 students (B Block)

The advantage, as a result of these changes, has resulted in a reduction in parking congestion, and it is now safer for students to enter and leave the school grounds.

At this stage, Cymosa Place (near the Pre-primary /Kindy buildings) will remain closed.

It is important to remember that we do not want parents coming into the school unnecessarily. This is to keep everyone safe. If you have any queries, please ring the school and we can then advise you on the best course of action.

POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR SUPPORT

I would like to commend all of our students for the positive behaviour that is being displayed at moment. Our school has worked hard to highlight all of the behaviour expectations across the school, classrooms, playground and other areas around the school. Our committee is currently developing some new incentive systems, and we should shortly have posters around the school promoting our positive behaviour expectations.

An important part of the positive behaviour support approach is that positive behaviour can be taught. Children need to see how positive behaviour can enhance their work and personal relationships. Students need to learn how to resolve conflict, display active listening and demonstrate care and empathy. Our school is also introducing 'Friendly Schools Plus', which is a social and emotional program. This program, along with our positive behaviour support framework, is 'preparing our students for tomorrow'.

As we conclude the second week, I will endeavour to keep everyone informed about any future announcements from the Minister of Education and any changes which impact on our school.

If you continue to have any concerns or wish to meet with any of the teachers, please contact the school and make an appointment.

Thank you for your continued understanding and support.

Paul Biemmi Principal

Out and about at Dryandra Primary School



Room 1 students engaging in a maths lesson with Mrs Bradstreet. Ayuub and Aarav are pictured here along with the class doing some number combinations up to twenty.





Room 2 students also doing a mathematics lesson with Mrs Warr seen here using the interactive whiteboard. The students are counting from 100 all the way down to number 1.



Great start to Term 2 !



Room 9 students also doing a Maths lesson, mental maths with Mr Cumming.



CANTEEN NEWS

The canteen will be open on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesdays from 8.15am-1.45pm. Volunteers are welcome , come and see Fran to offer your time!



