

Comleroy Road Chronicles



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Principal's message

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to school!

It was lovely welcoming you all back to school. Although school may look a little different, it is back to business as usual.

I spent time today in each class working with your children and helping them re adjust to school. It is clearly evident the impact you have all had on your children while learning from home. For many students it was their first day back, and some were a little apprehensive. Keep talking to your children about what is happening in the world, reassure them that they are OK and remind them that school is a safe place for them to be. Your children's education and wellbeing remains our top priority.

The merit selection process has been completed and I can now inform you that Mr David Picot will be joining our team at Comleroy Road as the classroom teacher of 5/6B. He will commence his position at the beginning of Term 3. Mr Picot brings a wealth of experience to our school and will be a welcomed addition to the team we have here at Comleroy Road.

As you are all well aware there have been many changes to how our school operates in light of the COVID-19 pandemic.

- There will be no normal school assemblies, however awards will still be given out and our honours system will be readjusted in light of the current circumstances.
- Sporting activities will recommence in stages with the first stage being no contact with others.
- All school excursions, incursions and camps have been put on hold.
- There will be no interschool competitions and no in-school activities requiring volunteers.
- There will be additional cleaning conducted throughout the day with desks, equipment and learning spaces wiped down regularly.

- Sanitiser will be used on entry to the school, as well as entering and exiting the classroom. Children will be continually reminded to wash their hands regularly throughout the day.
- There will be no visitors to the school unless it is essential, and parents will be required to drop their children off and collect them from outside the school gates.
- Children can be collected from school from 2:50pm. As soon as your child/children see you they will be dismissed.
- The canteen will be open as of next week on Wednesday for snacks and Friday for lunch orders only.
- Our school bus service will not be affected and will not have limited capacity. Services will continue to operate as normal and no students will be left behind.
- Our semester one reports will be modified and 3-way interviews will be conducted in a different manner this term.

Continue to remind your children about social distancing and to inform you or their teacher if they are feeling unwell. Any child who is unwell will be sent home from school.

We will continue to keep you updated as required and please don't hesitate to contact the school if needed. Thank you for your continued support and for your commitment to your child's learning.

Look after yourself and look after each other.

Kristen Barglik Principal

Helping your child with mathematics at home

- Encourage your child to count and recognises numbers.
- Use mathematics in everyday life, for example, adding up items from the shop, calculating change, measuring ingredients, taking away numbers, reading signs, telling the time...
- Use mathematical language like more than, less than, divide, multiply, combines.
- Play games that encourage learning about numbers like board games.
- Play games with cards and dice that encourage your child to add up the dot patterns or numbers.
- Ask your child to solve real life problems.

Changes to pick up

At the conclusion of the school day students will be dismissed from two locations – the top gate near the teacher carpark and the front entry. This will assist with our social distancing measures as students leave the school.

- Surnames A G will be dismissed from the front gate.
- Surnames H W will be dismissed from the top gate.
- Students catching buses will line up outside the hall.
- Students will be at the gates from 2:50pm and can leave as soon as they see their parents.
- Parents are encouraged to wait at their car until they see their child and not congregate outside the school.



Dates to remember

June Monday 8 – Queen's birthday long weekend

July Friday 3 – Last day of term

Upcoming events are posted on our school website.

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Our school newsletter and notes are also available through School Enews. Register your email address **on the school website** to receive a full colour newsletter direct to your inbox.

BIRTHDAYS

Happy birthday to the following Students that celebrate their birthday in:

May

Riley, Chase, Kye, Shania, Cody, Kiera, Dechlan, Jace, Levi, Keira, Chelsea, Charlotte, Byron, William

June

Ella, Nathan, Lace, Lachlan, Marlee, Levi,

We hope you had / have a wonderful day!





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SAFE: I make wise choices to ensure no harm comes to anyone.

RESPECTFUL: I appreciate everyone for who they are. I will use positive words and actions to ensure everyone feels accepted.

LEARNERS: I am always ready to do my best. Education is a life long process. It gives me

opportunities for life.



Comleroy Road P&C Association

Next Meeting: TBA

Contact details for the P&C:

President-Scott Dent

The P&C have a Facebook page. Search for Comleroy Road P&C and like the page to keep informed about the great work the P&C do.

Road safety

Just a reminder that outside the front gate or our school is a designated bus zone. Please ensure you adhere to the restricted times as noted on the attached sign to ensure everyone's safety. With increased road traffic, please remind your child about the importance of road safety when arriving and departing from school.



Attendance

Your child's attendance is monitored every day. If your child is absent one day a fortnight they will miss out on 20 days of school a year. That equates to 4 weeks of missed learning and an attendance rate of 80%. Therefore, if this pattern continues from Kindergarten to Year 12 your child will miss out on nearly one and a half years of school.

Snap shots of students hard at work







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Keeping your children safe when dropping off and picking up at school

Here are a few things you can do to help keep your children and others safer during drop-off and pick-up times during the school week:

- Make sure your children are fastened in the correct child car seat for their age and size and that it is fitted correctly.
- Stick to the 40km/h speed limit in a school zone and look out for children who may be about.
- Watch for flashing lights on buses. They let you know that there may be children crossing or about to cross the road. A 40km/h limit applies when school bus lights flash.
- Always give way to pedestrians particularly when entering and leaving driveways.
- Always park and turn legally around schools. Manoeuvres such as U-turns and three-point turns are dangerous during busy school drop-off and pick-up times.
- Drop your children off and pick them up on the school side of the road in your school's designated drop-off and pick-up area. Never call out to them from across the road – they may run to you without checking for traffic.
- It's safest for children to get out of the car through the Safety Door, away from passing traffic. This is the rear footpath side door of the car.

For more information on keeping our kids safe around schools visit the parents section on safe tytown.com.au



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Staying Connected With Our Children

Now is the time to stay close to our children. They need to feel us beside them so they don't feel as worried as they are. We need to be honest with them and let them know that good people from around the world are working very hard to keep them safe and healthy. Our children will believe us, we love them deeply.

Be Honest "COVID 19 is a sickness like a cold. Some people will get it.

Maybe someone in our family might get sick. We are all a little bit scared. Being scared is a sign that we are concentrating on being safe. There are really good people like doctors who know what to do. They are helping to figure it out.

Remind Them Tlove you, and that is one thing that will never change. Validate Their Feelings "Tknow I might look worried sometimes. Mums or dads get worried too. just like children. I know it can make you feel scared. But I am ok." "It is ok to be feeling scared. or worried. or whatever you are feeling right now. You can share that with me whenever you need to."

Here are some ways that parents and carers can share connection, comfort and care with their children right now.

Remain Available "You can talk with me whenever you need to. I will answer any questions you have. If I don't know the answers. I will find out and then I will tell you."

> Australian Childhood Foundation

Have fun Share some time with your children that is just for them, and let them lead the play.

"Let's do some things that you like to do." Acknowledge Day to Day Disruptions "Even if school and your after school activities stop for a while, they will start up again. How about we think about some ways of doing versions of these things together at home if we need to?"

Look to History "There have been sicknesses like this before. And they have stopped. Clever people from around the world have worked them out together. The scientists are doing this right now with this one."

Create some quiet time Find a regular time where you can just be still with children. Stroke their hair. Watch a favourite show on TV. Listen to music together. Let them decide if they want to talk. Be present with them. Enjoy it.



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