



Friday, 4 February 2022

Dear Parents and Caregivers

I wish to thank all parents and caregivers for their support in ensuring a safe and successful start to the school year. We were extremely fortunate to have had the opportunity to personally welcome students and their families with minimal restrictions this week. A gift that we should be thankful for.

Today, updated advice was received to ensure minimal disruptions to student learning would occur as a result of a positive test of COVID-19. As a result, several changes will be implemented from Monday as outlined below:

ECE Drop Off and Pick Up

The Early Childhood will continue to be open from 8:30. Kiss and drop will continue with parents saying goodbye to their children outside the classroom. Teachers will assist in this process.

At the completion of the day, Staff will dismiss students from classrooms once parents or caregivers have been identified. At all times, parents are requested to practice social distancing whilst on school premises. Once your child has been collected, parents are asked to exit the Early Childhood. Students should not play on the equipment after school hours.

Year 1 – 6 Drop Off and Pick Up

Prior to 8:30, all unsupervised students must assemble in the undercover area under the instruction of teaching staff.

Parents wishing to continue to drop their children off are welcome to do so. Parents are asked to kiss and drop outside wet areas. Teachers will assist in this process. Social distancing should be practised whilst parents are waiting.

Appointments

All parents attending St Francis Xavier for appointments are required to sign in via the front office. This includes collecting children or late arrivals.

School Events

Sadly, the P&F Welcome Night scheduled for Friday 11th February has been cancelled in line with health advice.

In addition, whole school events and school processes are being evaluated to minimise the number of students and staff impacted in the event of a positive case. Further information will be provided prior to these events.

Online Learning

Many families have accessed Seesaw already and I thank them for that. Students have commenced receiving their unique online codes and these will be sent home next week. I encourage all families to check that their child has access to Seesaw at home. If information is required, please contact your child's teacher via email.

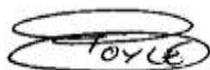
Health and hygiene

Again, please continue to emphasise to your child appropriate health and hygiene practices. This includes washing hands, blowing their nose and having their own water bottle daily.

Whilst on school premises, all parents and caregivers are asked to adhere to the latest health advice from the State Government.

I acknowledge that these changes may be disappointing to some families however, wish to reassure you that St Francis Xavier is undertaking all appropriate measures to ensure the safe continuation of students' education.

Thank you for your continued support.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ben Doyle", enclosed within a hand-drawn oval border.

Ben Doyle
Principal