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Term Two – 2020 Update

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Dear Glendore Parents and Caregivers,

On Friday via our social media, the School advised it would be sending an email concerning the return of all NSW Public School Students.

This is a two-page document, which includes summary points (Page One) and Background Information (Page Two) behind the massive planning and processes that have occurred in every NSW Public School over the past two weeks. (attachments provided)

Important Summary Points are:

- This Monday AND Tuesday are Pupil Free days
- From Wed (28/4/20) to Fri (8/5/20) all Public Schools operate in Phase 0 (Only Essential Services students attend - 5%)
- From Mon (11/5/20) a 1 dpw (day per week) attendance roster by grade, that caters for siblings (Phase 1-25%) starts.
- Essential Services students are able to attend daily.

For the first two weeks of Term 2, all NSW Public Schools (including Glendore Public School) are in Phase 0

You must continue to;

- Keep your children at home if possible.
- Support your child/children to continue learning at home.
- Follow the health advice and keep your child /children at home if they are unwell.

Schools are open for families who need it:

- Families are encouraged to keep their children at home whenever possible.
- Students who attend school are supervised to complete CoL-WaH work.
- They are not in their regular classes.
- All students will continue to engage with a single unit of work.

The following advice is provided at these locations:

- The NSW Department of Education's '[Managed Return to School for Families](#)' is available at the link
- [Glendore Public School's CoL-WaH \(Continuity of Learning-Work at Home\) Website](#) for GPS-provided work
- The [NSW DoE's \(Department of Education\) 'Learning from Home' website](#) for further advice on remote learning
- The [NSW DoE's 'Wellbeing at Home', 'Telephone Interpreter Service' 'Parents and Caregivers Toolkit'](#)

What does this mean for Glendore Public School in Term 2?

- There is much for our school to plan. I have been briefed by the DoE after the Premier's announcement of the new details, and I am reviewing the DoE's ongoing advice sent to advise and support principals to operationalise student learning for Term 2, 2020.
- Monday 27 April and Tuesday 28 April (Week 1) are declared School Development Days. Across these two days, all staff will participate in professional learning to plan for supporting students in the term ahead. No student supervision will be available.
- CoL-WaH Teaching and Learning programs now resume for students from home on Wednesday 29 April. All NSW Public School will continue with the model used at the end of Term 1 for the first and full two weeks of Term 2, 2020.
- During this time, while the school is still open, the State Government still encourages students to learn from home, as in Term 1. The learning material for "learning from home" for Weeks 1 and 2, will be distributed or available by Tuesday afternoon on 28 April 2020, ready for students to follow on Wednesday morning 29 April 2020.
- Over Week 1, we will be developing Glendore Public School's model for learning delivery from Week 3 (11th May, 2020).
- From this day, every student will have the opportunity to start attending school 1dpw, as per the DoE's guidelines.
- I will be in a position to inform our community by early in Week 2, about what Glendore PS' model from Week 3 will look like.
- From Week 3, Term 2, we will begin a managed return to school. The attached document outlines the Department's plan.
- At this stage, Weeks 1 and 2 of Term 2 will be Phase 0. Weeks 3-6 will be Phase 1.
- [This link also provides further DoE advice for families](#) at this time. education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/advice-for-families
- I will provide further information and updates as soon as they come to hand via email, the Glendore Grapevine and Facebook.

Thank you in advance for your understanding and cooperation of the need for simultaneous education and health prioritisation of all students and staff at Glendore, especially in these unprecedented times.

Mr Khay, School Principal

Background Information:

Earlier this week, NSW Premier Gladys Berejiklian and Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning, Sarah Mitchell made some media announcements and principals met with Mark Scott, NSW DoE Secretary, this morning for further clarification. Health officials have advised the National Cabinet that schools are safe to remain open.

Ms Berejiklian said health advice continues to be that schools remain open, and parents, teachers and students can be confident that school is a safe place.

"We are grateful to all families who kept their children home from school at the end of Term 1 and to teachers who worked tirelessly to deliver education online," Ms Berejiklian said.

"This allowed us critical time to prepare our schools to develop better online learning options and for considering additional hygiene measures to allow schools to return. We know that nothing is more important than a child's education, and we must begin to return our students to their classrooms in a considered way.

"Under these changes, from Week 3 of Term 2, every student will be attending school for one day a week. We will look to increase the no. of days students are at school in a staged way and hope to have all children back at school full-time by Term 3."

Operationalising this at Glendore Public School:

- Email and Telephone are the preferred manner of contact with the school office. Details are on Page 1 of this letter.
- To support social distancing and limiting the number of people on the site, we will only be opening our main gate for pedestrian access. Staff only will only be using the Main Car Park. The top gate and top car park are closed until further notice.
- Parents and Caregivers are asked to not enter the School's Grounds past the front grassed area, as in Term 1. This area will be taped off with high visibility bunting – the same that was used during the School's 'Share Our Space' programs.
- Glendore PS Executive Staff will provide a morning supervision as in Term 1, with onsite teaching staff providing lunch, recess and afternoon duty supervision. The School's staff will support students to safely access their parents/caregivers in the afternoon.
- Glendore's OSHC Service is running its vacation care program on Monday. Booking enquiries for Tuesday should be made direct to the service via its website (www.ymcansw.org.au/centres/ymca-glendore-oshc/) or phone (0417 604 248, 1300 009 679).
- For the first two weeks of Term 2, our School Canteen remains closed. We will have the re-opening of our School Canteen as part of our considerations for Phase 1 of the return to school. Stand by for further advice and communications in this area.
- Parents and Caregivers will continue to be provided with Col-WaH work from the school until its complete normal operations resume. Should medical (immune-suppressed, ill, etc.) or care reasons preclude your child's attendance and you prefer them to continue to learn from home, please contact our school's administration team so that this can be recorded for attendance.
- From Week 3 (Monday 11th May), every student will be attending school 1dpw. This is called Phase 1. Glendore PS will inform you which day of the week your child/children will be assigned to attend classes on-site at school. During this first stage of on-site learning, parents are encouraged to keep their children home, wherever possible, except on their allocated day of onsite learning.
- Initially, about a quarter of the students are expected to be on site at any one time. The School will advise a structure by the beginning of Week 2 that caters for children of essential services workers, the 1dpw contact students and siblings.
- When Phase 1 (Week 3) commences, all students must bring their own lunch, recess and fruit break.
- Please refer to the attached document for the NSW DoE proposed management of return to school. It has not yet been indicated how long Phase 1 of students attending one day per week will continue before Phase 2 is implemented.
- The NSW DoE hopes to have all children back at school full-time by Term 3.

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	PHASE 0	PHASE 1	PHASE 2	PHASE 3	PHASE 4
	Schools are open for families who need it.	Students at school at least one day per week.	Students at school at least two days per week.	Students at school five days per week, with social distancing measures.	Students at school five days per week, with full school activities.
<p>At all times</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Schools are safe places for students, teachers and staff. All students engage with a single unit of work. Keep up-to-date with your school's communications to make sure you receive important messages about timetable changes. Any identified cases of COVID-19 will continue to be managed in line with health advice, including temporary school closures where necessary. <p>Learning from home</p> <p>Practical resources and guides to support students are available at the Learning from home hub.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Families are encouraged to keep their children at home wherever possible, with no student to be turned away. Students who attend school are supervised only, not in their regular classes. No excursions or inter-school activities. Continued enhanced cleaning and hygiene supply arrangements. <p>You must continue to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Keep your child/children at home if possible. Support your child/children to continue learning at home. Communicate with your school via email and phone wherever possible. Follow the health advice and keep your child/children at home if they are unwell. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Schools have discretion for establishing which group attends on which days, with a preference to group siblings/families together. Families who need to send their child to school every day may continue to do so and no child will be turned away. Classes are split across different spaces and break times can be staggered. No excursions or inter-school activities. Continued enhanced cleaning and hygiene supply arrangements. <p>You can now</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Send your child/children to school one day a week. You are encouraged to keep your child at home for the rest of the week wherever possible. Check with your school to see which day of the week your child/children should attend. Use the school canteen and uniform shop where appropriate hygiene measures are in place. <p>You must continue to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow your school's advice regarding changes to drop off and pick up, including staying in your car when dropping off and picking up your child/children if safe to do so. Maintain social distancing by avoiding gathering outside of school gates. Make sure your child/children have access to lunch and snacks, noting some canteens may not be operating at this stage. Support your child/children to continue learning at home on remote learning days. Communicate with your school via email and phone wherever possible. Follow the health advice and keep your child/children at home if they are unwell. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students with increased health risks may continue to learn at home to suit their individual needs. Students remain in the same classroom for the day, break times can be staggered to reduce mixing between class groups. No excursions or inter-school activities. Continued enhanced cleaning and hygiene supply arrangements. <p>You can now</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Send your child/children to school two days a week. You are encouraged to keep your child at home for the rest of the week wherever possible. Check with your school to see which two days of the week your child/children should attend. Use the school canteen and uniform shop where appropriate hygiene measures are in place. <p>You must continue to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow your school's advice regarding changes to drop off and pick up, including staying in your car when dropping off and picking up your child/children if safe to do so. Maintain social distancing by avoiding gathering outside of school gates. Make sure your child/children have access to lunch and snacks, noting some canteens may not be operating at this stage. Support your child/children to continue learning at home on remote learning days. Communicate with your school via email and phone wherever possible. Follow the health advice and keep your child/children at home if they are unwell. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Normal school breaks and entry/exit processes will resume. Infection control procedures will continue on a school by school basis. Communication to staff, students and families regarding NSW Health advice will continue. Continued communication to the Early Childhood Education sector regarding NSW Health Advice. <p>You can now</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Send your child/children to school every day. Participate in school excursions and inter-school activities. Use playground equipment at schools. Drop your child/children off at school as you would normally do. Participate in school based activities such as volunteering in classes and assemblies. Use services that usually operate at your school like canteens and other community run activities. 	

A managed return to school

Guidelines for families

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The NSW Department of Education's '[Managed Return to School for Families](#)' is available at this link or by clicking on the picture.

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