

Bulletin

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGES

Thank you for your support during Phase 1. The children have thoroughly enjoyed returning one day each week to be with their ownteacher in their own classroom. It was nice for them to catch up with some of their friends as well. The teachers were thrilled to be working face to face with their classes even though it was spread across two or three days.

As of May 25th we will move into the next phase which will see all students returning to school full time. We are very excited to move into this phase and have worked very hard to try and ensure that all the hygiene protocols are firmly in place. Children will continue to be encouraged to wash their hands on a regular basis. They will not be using the bubblers so it is imperative that all students have their own drink bottles. These along, with their lunch boxes and all items of clothing, <u>must have your child's name clearly</u> <u>marked</u>. Any unmarked lunch boxes or drink bottles will be disposed of so that we can ensure hygiene standards are maintained. Children will also need to have their own pencils or pencil case (clearly labelled). They will not be able to share pencils or pens.

Parents and visitors will not be able to enter the school grounds. This means that if you are picking up your child, they must know what gate they are using. You are asked to drop your child off at the same gate as you intend using to pick them up. The younger students will have an area in front of the Admin block to meet their siblings before exiting via one of the gates. If your younger child usually meets their older sibling before departing, they will have every opportunity to do so at this meeting point.

Naturally if you need to drop anything off or pick anything up, you are welcome to ring or email the school and the staff can meet you at the school gate. Canteen is open for online orders only and the clothing pool will only be open on Monday morning and Wednesday afternoon by appointment only.

In the past we have sometimes had students bring in cakes to share with their class mates for birthdays or special occasions. Please note this is no longer possible. Students can only bring in the food they will be consuming and there will be no sharing. Schools are safe and open for full time face-to-face learning as of May 25th. All school activities and operations will be in line with Australian Health Protection Principal Committee (AHPPC) and NSW Health guidelines as applicable. All students should be at school unless:

- They have a medical certificate which states that they are unable to return to school due to an ongoing medical condition.
- They are currently unwell. Students who have a medical certificate to stay at home will be supported to learn from home in line with regular procedures if they are able to. These regular procedures are different to what was offered during the learning from home period. If you require work to be provided to your child whilst they are at home due to an underlying health condition, you should contact the school for assistance.

It has certainly been a trying time however, provided we can follow the new hygiene protocols I'm sure we will be able to return to some wonderful teaching and learning experiences.

Kerry Barker Principal



For more information: education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/advice for families



UNIFORM

Clothing orders can still be placed online. The clothing pool itself will be open only with appointments. Please contact the P&C via email at sturtpublicpandc@gmail.com

Uniforms can not be tried on or exchanged.

P&C

Please keep updated with P&C, clothing and canteen via P&C and Canteen on facebook.

Canteen Page: https://www.facebook.com/ Sturtcanteen/

P&C Page: https://www.facebook.com/ groups/236610536364187/

CANTEEN

Sturt Canteen is open 5 days a week with online ordering only via My School Connect. No cash lunch bags or counter sales.

Our online menu is currently smaller and changes regularly, so if you can't find a favourite item its a great reason to encourage trying something new.

During Term 2 the canteen will be operating without volunteers. We are very much looking forward to you returning as soon as it is possible.

You can order online using My School Connect. Jo Klimpsch Canteen Manager

LIBRARY

All library books must be returned to school by Friday 29th May to allow for quarantining and cleaning as per departmental guidelines.



The Smith Family Learning for Life Program

Want Sturt Public School families.

To be considered eligible for *Learning for Life* families must: Regular school attendance and arriving at school on time is a scholarship requirement.

Possess a Health Care or Pension Concession Card. Demonstrate a commitment to education.

Learning for Life provides families with:

Financial support Education support Linkages to community support

Want more information?

Please contact Fiona Carroll on 0466 473 115 or (02) 6931 2428 Email: fiona.carroll@thesmithfamily.com.au



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