



OLW NEWS 2021

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Dear Parents & Families,

As we move towards the reopening roadmap, we excitedly look forward to our Preps rejoining us next Monday – Wednesday (October 18 – 20) and our Year 1/2 classes rejoining us next Thursday & Friday (October 21 & 22). Students from Prep – Year 2 will have their weekly planner uploaded each Sunday as usual, but the planner will only have work set for the days of Learning from Home.

Initially, as we only have small groups attending onsite, entry time will be from 8.45am – 9.00am and dismissal time will be at 3.30pm for all students. Under current COVID Safe guidelines, only students will be allowed onsite, and we ask that everyone adheres to social distancing regulations at the gate.

You may have heard on the news that Year 3 – 6 are mandated to wear masks inside the classrooms and it is recommended for Prep – Year 2. At this stage, no official information has been provided to schools, but as soon as the new guidelines are released, we will post the updated advice through our school app.

CLOURE DAY – MONDAY NOVEMBER 1

Monday November 1 will remain as a School Closure Day for OLW as we work on planning, reporting and structures for the end of 2021 and also for the 2022 school year. As it is a School Closure Day, there will be no onsite supervision for students of Authorised Workers, no onsite learning for Prep students, and no Google Meet sessions for classes. However, classroom teachers will make available a Learning from Home schedule for the day for those families who wish to keep their child engaged in their learning.

MENTAL HEALTH SESSIONS

Matthew Jones, will continue running two online sessions each Monday to support families during lockdown. These are group sessions for parents to join in dialogue with Matthew as he presents strategies around some particular aspects that may be affecting families at the moment. These sessions are designed to provide strategies and advice to support the great work of our families.

Session Times are:

10.30am – Year 3 – 6 Parents

11.30am – Year Prep – 2 Parents

October 11 Topic

Preparing children for return Onsite

Meeting Link:

<https://meet.google.com/jib-yhyo-hbt>

Families who are not able make either of the session times due to work commitments will be able to access a pre-recorded version of the content from our OLW Learning Channel each Wednesday, by following the link which will be forwarded through SkoolBag.

Any families that would like to access previous sessions can also follow the link below to view a pre-recorded copy of the content presentation for each session.

Strategies to assist during lockdown

<https://youtu.be/0qFxmP1yVG0>

Keeping things 'normal' for children

<https://youtu.be/Zimm1xS7B4A>

Managing anxiety and low mood

<https://youtu.be/nnO8qRBtMyg>

Communicating with your child(ren)

<https://youtu.be/GrOuKr0Mcls>

'Addressing Anxiety and Fears'

<https://youtu.be/F0zrqYU260k>

WEEKLY PHOTOS

Don't forget to keep sending through some photos of your children engaging in their learning or activities over the week to be compiled into our weekly video.

Stay safe and we look forward to having our junior classes onsite next week!

Kevin Burke

WORD OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to everyone who found out that affirmation means 'a statement or sign that something is true, the act of saying yes or of showing that you mean yes, or emotional support or encouragement'.

Our word for this week is:

ANTICIPATE

Find out it's meaning and origin and see if you can add this word to your vocabulary over the next week!



Week 1 – Students @ Work & Play



Google Meet

Sessions with Matthew

Meeting link: <https://meet.google.com/jib-yhyo-hbt>

Meeting code for iPad & tablet users: [jib-yhyo-hbt](#)

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| Years 3 - 6 | 10:30am - 11:00am |
| Years P - 2 | 11:30am - 12:00pm |