



Chisholm Catholic Primary School

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COVID - 19 Chisholm Update

Stay Safe - Observe Social Distancing - Stay at Home - Get Vaccinated - Wear a Mask

8 October 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

I hope you are all keeping well and staying safe.

It is with pleasure that I announce the permanent appointment of Mrs Roslyn Earl as Assistant Principal at Chisholm Catholic Primary. I know you will join me in congratulating Ros. I look forward to all of us working together for the benefit of our wonderful school.

Over the last week changes have been announced regarding the roadmap for students return to school in Term 4. No prior notice of the changes had been communicated to Catholic Education in the Diocese of Parramatta, Principals, Teachers & Staff in our schools. We will continue to work in the best interests, health and safety of all members of our community.

At this time, CEDP continues to follow the Public Health Order which mandates that all staff need to be fully vaccinated by 8 November 2021.

Below is an outline of the return to face to face learning dates (as of Friday, 8 October) for each grade group at Chisholm:

Weeks 2 - Monday 11 October to Friday 14 October

- **All learning remains online** - only students whose parents are essential workers working outside the home should attend school on-site during this time

Week 3 - beginning Monday 18 October

- **Kindergarten, Year 1 & Year 2 students return** to face to face learning on-site at school
- Remote learning continues for students in Years 3 to 6

Week 4 - beginning Monday 25 October

- **Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 students return** to face to face learning on-site at school
- Canteen resumes this week for lunch orders through Munch Monitor. Children will be able to purchase ice blocks or other small treats using cash .

Additional Adults on Site

Parents & Carers and other adults **are not** permitted on site at this time. Parents & Carers needing to enter the school premises for any reason must sign in using the QR code and wear a mask on entry to the school office. Please avoid entering the school grounds during drop off and pick up times where possible and organise any necessary visits via appointment through the school office.



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Outdoor Play - Recess & Lunch

As recommended by NSW Health, consideration is being given as to how we can minimise the mingling of students across stages. This will include staggered recess and lunch times and separate playground areas. As always, we will be guided by advice from NSW Health and CEDP and endeavour to keep you informed of any changes as they become necessary.

Hygiene & Cleaning

Strict hygiene practises will continue to be implemented, including extra targeted cleaning of high touch and high movement areas and regular hand sanitising.

Ventilation

Safe ventilation practices in all Learning Spaces will also be implemented, including ensuring adequate cross ventilation, use of ceiling fans for added air circulation and keeping doors and windows open for additional air flow.

Masks

Masks will continue to be mandatory for all adults on-site. Masks are strongly recommended for Primary school aged students.

Drop off and Pick Up Procedures

Morning procedure will remain the same with drop off at the front gate. All students will be welcomed on entry. Afternoon dismissal will be staggered pick up and Kiss & Ride. Details will be finalised and communicated next week.

Chisholm's Got Talent

All Chisholm's Got Talent video submissions are due by this Friday, 8 October. Videos are to be submitted via the school email address: chisholm@parra.catholic.edu.au. When submitting videos, please label it with your child's name, grade and the type of performance (dance, song, gymnastics, jokes, instrument). Thank you to all the parents who have already submitted their child's video. A Grand Finale video will be created and shared with parents and carers to enjoy later in the term.

Evaluation of your Child's Remote Learning

As part of the Reporting process at Chisholm we invite all Parents and Carers to complete the Questionnaire regarding your child's Remote Learning experience. This information will give grade teachers further insight into how your child approached the Remote Learning opportunities provided. We thank you in advance for your time in completing this. A link will be sent to your email address early next week.

Term 4 Events

Term 4 events will be subject to NSW Health guidelines and the associated recommendations in place at that time. Decisions regarding important end of year celebrations, including the Year 6 Farewell Mass, and Kindergarten 2022 Transition will be made later in the term to allow for, and hopefully take advantage of, the ongoing easing of restrictions. We will keep you updated about all Term 4 events via our usual communication channels as soon as we are in a position to be able to do so.



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Thank you for your ongoing patience and support. We look forward to welcoming students back onsite in line with the NSW Health recommended time frame over the coming weeks.

For parents & carers who have concerns regarding the return face to face learning please email me or Mrs Earl rearl@parra.catholic.edu.au directly so that we can address any questions or concerns you may have. We will cater for every student at Chisholm whether they are working from home or at school during Term 4.

Stay Safe & Take Care.

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