

# St Mary's Catholic Primary School, Toukley

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Term 2. I hope that your family and friends are all healthy.

Enclosed in today's update is a "Managing Return to School Term 2, 2020" attachment (from CSO) and specific school related consequences detailing which day each child attends, altered school drop-off and pick-up routines etc. Throughout this term students who need to be at school may still continue to attend. We kindly ask that this only occurs where it is necessary and your family has exhausted all alternatives.

**Weeks 1 + 2:** Home-based learning for all students continues as it did late in Term 1 (please refer to Phase 0 of the attachment entitled "Managing Return to School Term 2, 2020").

**From Week 3:** Students begin attending school 1 day-per-week (Phase 1). The designated day-per-week for students at our school is outlined below:

<b>Monday</b>	Children with surnames ADAM to DEVINE attend school.
<b>Tuesday</b>	Children with surnames DOLLERY to LEDGERWOOD attend school.
<b>Wednesday</b>	Staff Meetings, Grade Meetings, professional learning, planning.
<b>Thursday</b>	Children with surnames LEE to RENNIE attend school.
<b>Friday</b>	Children with surnames RIBEIRO CASH to ZUBER attend school.

I am acutely aware that, for some families, your designated day may not be your preferred choice. I apologise for that and believe that the system we are applying is practical, fair and transparent. For a student, on the non-attendance days, home-based learning continues. For effective home-based learning a recommended maximum of 1.5-2 hours per day is enough (please refer to Phase 1 of the attachment entitled "Managing Return to School Term 2, 2020").

**Phases 2 – 4:** As soon as I am directed to, I will let you know of the timing and introduction of Phases 2, 3 and 4 (please refer to Phases 2-4 of the attachment entitled "Managing Return to School Term 2, 2020").

## **From Week 3: Altered Practices for Morning Drop-Off and Afternoon Pick-Up**

To prevent clusters of adults gathering in the school grounds, the morning drop-off and afternoon pick-up routines will change. The finer details of these procedures will be forwarded to you before the commencement of Week 3.

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The complex challenges of the current pandemic require creative, flexible and adaptable thinking. Our staff will collaboratively continue to use their professional judgement and extensive skills to provide an excellent education for your child(ren).

Enjoy your week.

Kind regards,

*K Williams*

Kevin Williams  
Principal

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