



## Managed Return of Students to School for One Day

Commencing Monday, Week 3 Term 2

### Aberdeen Public School

Dear Parents

Thank you for your response to our recent survey. Your input has contributed to the development of the following model for our **students to return to school for at least one day per week from Week 3, Term 2**. The model is based on students' House groups as suggested by the Department of Education. This enables all primary school-aged children in each family to attend school on the same day. If your children are not in the same House group, you will be contacted by a member of staff this week to discuss your options.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>SEGENHOE</b>	<b>HUNTER</b>	<b>MCQUEEN</b>	<b>ROSSGOLE</b>	Teacher planning and parent/student communication for at home learners. No online meetings.
Any children of essential workers or vulnerable students.	Any children of essential workers or vulnerable students.	Any children of essential workers or vulnerable students.	Any children of essential workers or vulnerable students.	Any children of essential workers or vulnerable students.

**Attendance:** Parents are asked to inform the school through the normal methods, e.g. Skool Loop or by phoning the office, if your child is sick or are continuing to learn remotely on the day they have been allocated to attend. On days your child is not attending school, they are required to attend scheduled Zoom meetings, view the Check In on Seesaw and upload their work so we can mark them as learning at home. If students do not engage in these ways for two days, schools are required to mark the student as absent on unapproved leave. This will count in their absences for the semester.

**Hours of Operation:** As per usual with staggered pick up times from 2.55pm (see below).

**Drop Off:** Morning Drop Off is as per usual but **parents are requested NOT to enter the school playground.**

**Pick Up in the afternoons:** K-2 students can be collected at 2.55pm

3-6 students can be collected at 3.05pm

Family groups will be collected with the youngest sibling, i.e. If you have a child in Kinder, Year 4 and Year 6 then they can all be collected from the pick up point at 2.55pm.

**Parents are requested not to come into the playground to collect their children but to wait in a line outside the school grounds at the Graeme Street pedestrian gate.** Please adhere to social distancing whilst waiting for your child to be dismissed from the school grounds.

**Learning:** Your child will be required to bring their Learning Pack to school as there is still only the one unit of work being delivered for learning at school and at home.

**Staffing:** We ask that wherever possible parents follow the proposed plan, keeping their child at home on the days they are not allocated to attend, unless they are an essential worker with no other options for at home learning.

Children who attend school without prior notice will impact on our ability to apply the current social distancing measures that are in place. Please contact the school and give at least 24 hours if you require your child to attend outside of their allocated day.

The Department of Education advises that school should aim to have 25% of their students in attendance each day (this is approximately one House group, exclusive of the students who already need to attend 5 days). Our combined attendance for the House Group and children of essential workers is much closer to 50%. This is why we need parents to inform the school if they need to send their child to school on a day they have not been allocated. Wherever possible your child will have their own teacher for a period of time when they are at school, but this may not always be possible as teachers are trying to juggle both at school and at home learning.

**Canteen:** The Canteen remains closed until further notice.

**Cleaning and hygiene:** The school has been allocated extra cleaning hours to ensure high touch points are cleaned thoroughly every day. We encourage students to regularly wash their hands and insist that they only attend school if feeling well. Parents will be required to pick their child up if they present as unwell throughout the school day.

If students could bring their own set of pencils, including a lead pencil, sharpener and glue stick to use throughout the day this would be greatly appreciated. Students will only be using sports equipment under class teacher supervision to ensure appropriate hand washing occurs before and after use. Equipment will not be used during break times.

**Drinking from bubblers** will not be allowed. All students will need to **bring their own drink bottle** to school. These can be re-filled during the day.

**Early pick up:** If for any reason you need to pick up your child early you are asked to ring ahead to notify the school office. No parent will be allowed to enter the classrooms.

I would like to thank our families for their support as we move to a gradual return to school. As the advice received by the school from the Department changes, we will update you through our usual communication channels (Skool Loop and Facebook). If you require clarification on any manner of your child's learning, please feel free to contact your child's teacher or the school office on 65451049.

Our staff are looking forward to seeing our students again.

Kind Regards

Mrs Corallee Kerrigan

Principal