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Dear Eden Hill PS families,

In our ever changing landscape we are all aware that from Saturday, 6th June 2020, **Phase 3** of the WA roadmap to ease COVID-19 restrictions will commence and with that brings some **small** changes for us at school from **Monday, 8th June 2020**.

### **Frequently Asked Questions – Term 2 (Week 7)**

**With the introduction to Phase 3 of the WA roadmap next week does this mean everything at school is back to normal?**

No, it does not. We are required to adhere to the 100 people on site with physical distancing of one person per 2 square metres and good hygiene practices applied.

**Am I able to drop off and pick my child up from school and visit the front office?**

Yes, you can but some restrictions still need to be followed. Please do not enter the classroom at this time as we have to follow the physical distancing rules and number restrictions. If you need to visit the school office, please note the crosses on the carpet and please wait outside the building if required. We appreciate your support in assisting us to do the right thing.

**What should I do if I need to speak with my child's teacher?**

Parents and carers may come on to school site to attend a pre-arranged meeting and the 2 square metre rule per person will apply. Please contact your child's teacher via email or connect to set up a suitable meeting time.

**Can Kindergarten and Pre-Primary students continue to be collected and dropped off at the designated gates?**

Yes, they can. We will continue to have our EA's collect and drop off these students for the remainder of Term 2 to continue to support the confidence and independence our students are developing. School starts at 8.50am so if you arrive after that time please visit the front office for a late note.

**If my child is in Year 1-6 can I continue to drop off and collect them at the school gate?**

Yes, you can.

**When will assemblies restart?**

As we are required to adhere to a maximum of 100 people for indoor settings and 300 people in outdoor settings with appropriate physical distancing of adults, at this stage we have put all whole school assemblies and events on hold for this term. When this changes we will inform you. We continue to hold a 'virtual' assembly and award students with merit certificates every Friday.

**Can the students play contact sports?**

Yes. Equipment may be shared, however we need to continue to ensure regular cleaning of equipment and encourage good hygiene practices before and after sport.

**Can we use the school playgrounds after school?**

No, not at this time.

**Are playgrounds still being cleaned during the school day?**

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Yes. From Week 7 the requirement has changed to once per day.

**When will running club restart and can parents join in?**

Running club will restart in week 7 for **students only** at this stage.

**When will band and dance club restart?**

Band and Dance will restart in week 7.

**When will choir restart?**

Due to restrictions on numbers in the classroom choir will not restart this term.

**What is the DETECT study?**

DETECT is a research study to track the impact of COVID-19 in WA public schools.

**Is Eden Hill PS involved in the DETECT study?**

No, we are not involved.

**Why does the information keep changing?**

As a public school we follow the advice of the State Government and the AHPPC guidelines. We acknowledge these are unprecedented times, and as such require a level of flexibility, understanding and patience from us all.

**Does the school have soap and hand sanitizer available?**

Yes, we do. Every bathroom has soap and every classroom has hand sanitizer.

**Will the school have a cleaner on site during the day?**

Yes, we will. The cleaner will be responsible for cleaning all high use areas which includes our playgrounds.

**What should I do if my child is sick?**

If your child is sick they should be kept at home until they are better. If children are unwell at school, we will contact you and ask for them to be collected as soon as possible from the front office.

**I am worried about my child's mental health and well-being, what can I do?**

We are all here to assist you with accessing the appropriate services. We have our school chaplain, Jenny Palandri available three days per week to talk to you over the phone about any concerns. Our administration team are also here to assist, please contact the office on 6455 0800.

We appreciate the continued support and feedback received from our community during this time. This FAQ will be adapted throughout this pandemic and we will continue to keep our lines of communication open.

Your sincerely

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Principal.