

From the Principal

Monday 27 July 2020 OATLEY PUBLIC SCHOOL CONTINUES RETURN TO FACE TO FACE with SOCIAL DISTANCING PROTOCOLS still in place for ADULTS.

Dear Parents

It was wonderful to see the return of all our students back into Term 3. Unfortunately with the spike in new COVID cases in Victoria and NSW the school has again had to go into very strict practices of social distancing and hygiene.

Activities that have restarted this term are all inter school activities minimising adult providers. Presently we have our Band program and our Pulse dance program running. Strict procedures are in place and all services for our students run in our school hall only.

We have postponed the start of scripture and ethics classes for a couple of weeks so the students and teachers could regroup to ensure after the school holiday break we can reinforce COVID protocols to our students.

Unfortunately we have just been informed that 2020 PSSA has now been cancelled for the year. After a period of consultation adhering to the health guidelines for sport in schools, the Georges River District has come to the decision to cease all inter-school competitive sport for the remainder of 2020. This was not a decision that was made lightly, but due to many factors, the health and wellbeing of students, staff and families is paramount. Oatley will still provide sports programs to our students as we have done in the past term.

Community users have also returned to using the school hall after school hours.

Our school photos will still proceed on Monday 7 September, 2020. More information will be distributed to students.

Teachers are still maintaining social distancing procedures therefore professional learning and communication will continue online.

Reports are being completed by class teachers and students will receive these modified reports during our week beginning 10 August 2020. Presently we cannot have face to face parent interviews, however, there will be options where teachers can follow up with parents via phone contact. Please watch this space for further information.

Thank you to all the parents who have enrolled their child for 2021 Kindergarten. If parents have new neighbours please let them know that the school is enrolling now. Other than Year 6 could parents please contact the school if their child will not be returning to Oatley PS in 2021.

Final congratulations to 18 Year 6 students getting offers for selective high school and five students on reserve list. We are extremely proud of all our students in their successes, of which the above students have chosen this pathway.