



Thornton Public School

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Dear Parent/ Caregiver,

Our school will be returning to full on-campus learning on Monday 25 May. All school activities and operations will be in line with [Australian Health Protection Principal Committee \(AHPPC\)](#) and [NSW Health guidelines](#) as applicable.

School students do not need to follow strict adult physical distancing guidelines, but should follow good hygiene practices like:

- regularly washing hands
- avoiding sharing drinks or food
- coughing or sneezing into your elbow, or a tissue which should be discarded in the bin immediately

Physical distancing requirements remain for adults

All adults must maintain physical distance from each other (1.5m) including teachers and support staff, and parents.

Schools should ensure school pick up and drop off arrangements enable parents to physically distance from one another and from staff.

School attendance

All students should be at school unless:

- they have a medical certificate which states that they are unable to return to school due to an ongoing medical condition
- your child is currently unwell

Semester 1 Report

You will receive your child's semester 1 report before the end of August (Week 6, Term 3).

This will be a simplified version of the report you normally receive.



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School activities

Teachers will return to teaching the mandated school curriculum with the exception of some activities that can't go ahead for now.

What children can do

- Attend their normal classroom
- Use the school library
- Purchase from the canteen which will be reopening in the coming weeks ((further information will be sent home later in the week).)
- Engage in non-contact sporting activities

What students can't do

- School assemblies (unless for critical information)
- School incursions and excursions including camps
- Inter-school activities (debating, inter-school sport)
- In-school activities requiring parent or other volunteers
- Drink from a water bubbler – bring a water bottle instead

School grounds

There will be no visitors allowed on to our school site unless they are essential.

Please kiss and drop off in the morning.

Afternoon pick up procedures will be from four gates. Your family will be allocated a collection gate by Sports House to enable Social Distancing for parents (further information will be sent home later in the week).

We will continue to run split recess and lunch breaks.

Out of school hours care will continue to operate.

P&C and parent/teacher meetings can be conducted online if necessary.



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Further information including Frequently Asked Questions can be found on the Department of Education's website <https://education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/advice-for-families> and also on the Thornton Public School website.

Hope you are all well.

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