

Dear Families,

Due to COVID updates we will be keeping our whole school newsletter short and focussed on the most important matters. It is great that all children can be back at school and they have settled beautifully. We thank you all for your support over the last few weeks. We know that there will be further times ahead where Covid interrupts our school and we will keep you all updated as needed. The main ways we communicate are via SEESAW, we will continue to SMS families with information too. More than ever, children need to stay home if they are feeling unwell. If children come to school sick or even with just a slight runny nose, we will need to send them home. For the time being only school staff are able to enter buildings. School staff will be wearing masks. Students are encouraged to wear masks (the school has plenty to offer students) and we ask that all adults wear masks on school grounds, even when outside, if you don't have one we will give you one.

We remind parents that the school newsletter is also posted on SEESAW and not in hard copy form. If you wish to acquire a hard copy, please contact the office staff members of Di, Hari or Anna. With this, staff are not being assigned to put in articles each newsletter – instead they will regularly update families via SEESAW, telephone calls or messages in diaries/communication books.

### **2022 AGM and Governing Council Meetings**

The Governing Council meets in weeks 4 and 8 of each term, with the term 1 week 5 meeting planned as our 2022 AGM. The committees we will be needing your help on are the following: Finance and CANTEEN. Your representation on these committees is most welcome, so please keep a watch out for information to do with the AG via SEESAW or text message. Please also remember that unless notified otherwise, all Governing Council meetings are open and observers are more than welcome to attend. Meetings commence at 5.45 pm with a 8.00 pm close – or earlier when possible.

### **Acquaintance night - POSTPONED**

This has been postponed to later in the term due to our COVID directions. However, we do still encourage you to make contact with your class teacher/SSO via SEESAW or telephone. We are always happy to connect with you at a time that is mutually convenient.

### **2022 Uniform Expectations**

Unfortunately, we are still waiting for our new 2022 school UNIFORM to be delivered to our school. **We have now factored in 2022 to be a year where children can wear the old version due to the amount of time it is taking for the new one to arrive.** The old school uniform version is also being sold at half price and we will text all families when the new uniform arrives. Thankyou for your patience as this has been outside of our control

Uniform shop opening hours:

### **COVID update and special thanks**

A special thanks to all families who have been following the COVID 19 directions and guidelines and informing our school straight away when their child is unwell or has tested

positive for COVID. We also greatly appreciate the amount of families making sure their 2022 contact details are current and up to date. If you haven't done this already please ensure you inform the front office on (82581519) of any changes so we can make contact with you quickly when needed.

**All adult visitors must wear a face mask when indoors, practise physical distancing, and not attend the site if they are unwell.**

**Visitors attending our school are continuing to be minimised until further notice.**

## **COVID-19 settings that remain in place for weeks 4 and 5 of this term at our school are**

- Face masks continue to be required (when indoors) for:
  - all adults, except when it impedes ability to teach
- Face masks are **strongly encouraged for students in years 3 to 6 (when indoors).**
- **Current testing, isolating and quarantine requirements remain unchanged, including classroom contacts. We will issue you a letter if a student or staff member has tested positive to CIVID 19 in your child's class via SEESAW or text messaging.**
- Camps and excursions continue to be postponed.
- Outdoor learning encouraged where possible.
- windows and doors will remain open and our air-conditioning is set to fresh air intake where possible.
- Families and visitors to QR code to log into the site.
- No face to face meetings, however telephone link ups can be undertaken.
- We are requesting a **kiss and drop** approach daily for families of children in years 3- 6.
- All gates across the school will be unlocked in the morning for welcoming the children to school, temperature checks and hygiene support and locked during the day. All gates will be unlocked for 10 minutes before the end of day schools bell. Please ring the front office door bell on Bagster Road if you come to pick up your child early on any day or have school related business.

## **WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW IF YOUR CHILD IS IDENTIFIED AS A CLASSROOM CONTACT**

If you get a text or a SEESAW message that your child is a classroom contact, this is what you need to know.

Your child should continue to attend Salisbury North Primary School School, however you must monitor for symptoms for **14 days. You, as the parent/guardian, must ensure you child is well and has no symptoms of COVID-19 (even mild) prior to them attending each day.**

**For 7 full days after you get the text, or SEESAW message/letter your child should:**

- Not attend extracurricular activities in the school

**For 14 full days after you get the text, your child should:**

- Wear a surgical mask around others (where age appropriate) and outside your home
- Avoid COVID-19 Management Plan events
- Avoid high-risk settings (e.g. aged care, disability care, healthcare)
- Avoid non-essential activities with high transmission risk (e.g., many people, inside, in close contact)
- Avoid contact with vulnerable people (elderly, pregnant women, people with chronic health problems) unless it is your immediate family
- **Avoid shared spaces and maintain physical distancing, where possible**

**If your child develops symptoms such as a fever, cough, sore throat, shortness of breath, runny nose, loss of smell/taste, muscle/joint pains, diarrhoea, nausea/vomiting or extreme tiredness, please:**

- **Obtain a PCR test**
- **Inform the Salisbury North Primary School and keep your child at home until you receive confirmation of a negative test and their symptoms have resolved, whichever is longer.**
- **If your child tests positive, to COVID-19, they must remain isolated for 10 days and must follow SA Health instructions.**

The safety and wellbeing of our students and staff are paramount.

## **School Fees**

2022 School fees have been invoiced and posted, due date for payment is April, 2022 or contact Dianna.Clarke through the front office for a payment plan. **School Card Application Forms are now available from the front office. We highly encourage all families to apply for school card if eligible. If you are unsure of the process or eligibility please call and we will support you.**

## **Materials and Services charges**

Invoices were mailed recently. We look forward to a prompt response from parents to commence a cash flow for the school. It is our aim this year to have M&S fees all paid or organised for payment by the end of second term. Your help here in getting the fees all finalised would be great.

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**If you have changed your address or changed your home phone number, mobile phone number or would like to update any emergency contacts please contact the School's front office on 82581519, this makes it so much easier to contact you if we need to.**



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Please keep safe and look after yourselves and beautiful children,

Kindest Regards

Catherine and the leadership team