

COVID Operational Guidelines Frequently Asked Questions and Information

2022

With the advent of restrictions, there will be several changes to our operations please read the below information carefully.

1. Can I drop and pick up my child from the classroom?

Yes – Parents can drop and pick up their child/ren from the classroom door. Parents are not to enter the classrooms. Face masks to be worn on school premises and social distancing between adults maintained. If you wish to drop your child/ren at the gates, staff will continue to greet students and ensure they reach their classroom safely. The use of the Kiss and Drive area is strongly encouraged.

2. Can I go into my child's classroom?

No - due to current advice provided by the Chief Health officer to the Department of Education.

3. Can I meet face to face with my child's teacher?

No - Parents meetings will be held through phone or WebEx. Please email (<u>Campbell.ps@education.wa.edu.au</u>) or telephone 9456 8300 should you wish to make an appointment with your child's teacher.

4. Will the scheduled half day school closures go ahead?

Yes - parent teacher meetings will be offered by telephone or WebEx.

5. Is the School Administration open to parents and the community?

Yes - Whilst the front office will remain open parents/carers are strongly encouraged to only come into the front office if essential. Please telephone or email where possible.

Email: Amanda.Downing@education.wa.edu.au

Telephone: 9456 8300

6. Is the cleaning regime being maintained?

Yes - Cleaning will continue as per the DoE guidelines.

7. Will all the playgrounds on the school site be open?

Yes - during school hours ONLY.

8. Can my child play on the playgrounds before and after school?

No - due to cleaning requirements, playgrounds will continue to be out of bounds before and after school.

9. Will the school's canteen remain open?

Yes - the canteen is open 5 days a week with a full menu. Orders can be made online or with cash in the drop box. Staff will be adhering to Health Department Regulations.

10. Are third-party providers allowed on site? e.g. Therapists

Yes - ensuring adherence to mask wearing, physical distancing requirements, enhanced cleaning and minimising contact with the broader school population.

11. Will assemblies be held in the UCA?

No - assemblies will be held through WebEx for students only.

12. Will my child still receive a merit certificate?

Yes - students will receive merit certificates. These will be announced through internal WebEx assemblies and an executive team member will then present the certificate in class. A photo will then be sent to parents/carers of the child receiving their certificate.

13. Will PEAC classes still happen?

Yes - PEAC classes will be held through an online platform. Students will stay in class during PEAC lessons accessing the content online.

14. Will the Year 6 Camp days still go ahead?

Yes - at this stage, this may change though.

15. Will Partnerships with Parents Workshops go ahead?

Yes - but not face to face. Workshops scheduled will be held through WebEx where possible, or information and supporting videos posted through Connect.

16. Will P&C and School Board Meetings still be held?

Yes - but not face to face. P&C and School Board Meetings will be held through WebEx.

17. Will school choir commence this term?

No – as we have been requested to minimise cross cohort missing if possible.

18. Will there be Before and After School activities e.g NUMERO?

No - not at this stage.

19. Will my child still receive IMSS instruction?

Yes - IMSS will continue as classes are in cohorts.

20. Will incursions and excursions be provided?

No - at this stage there will not be any incursions and excursions.

21. Will swimming lessons go ahead in Term 2?

Yes - swimming lessons will go ahead.

22. What will happen if my child is sick and displays COVID type symptoms at school?

Your child will be kept in the sick bay and isolated. They will be requested to wear a mask. Parents/carers will be requested to collect their child as soon as possible.

23. - Does my child have to wear the mask, if requested to do so?

No - we will not force any child to do this.

24. If the school is locked down will my child's teacher provide remote learning?

Yes, a Learning From Home package will be provided through CONNECT.

25. If my child gets COVID or is isolating as they have been identified as a close contact of someone that has COVID, will the school provide work?

Yes, a Learning from Home package will be provided through CONNECT.

26. I would like to provide some educational activities at home for my child, where can I get help with this?

Parents can make use of the Learning at Home resources on the Department's website.

https://www.education.wa.edu.au/learning-at-home

Steps the school is taking to minimise the transmission of the virus in school.

- Vaccination status- all staff are fully vaccinated
- Ventilation- guidelines for ensuring classrooms are well-ventilated are in place and being implemented. A CO2 Monitor has been provided to the school to monitor levels in any room
- Mask wearing- staff are wearing masks in the school setting, they only remove them to deliver instruction to the students.
- Sanitising stations and bottles are set up around the school and outside every classroom.
- Students and staff are sanitising before and after entering classrooms.
- Staff and students that are unwell and/or display any COVID type symptoms will be sent home.

A cohort approach has been adopted across the school. This means:

- Classroom teachers do not move across teaching blocks.
- Allied professionals have been assigned to teaching blocks, they do not go across blocks.
- Staff within blocks have lunch and recess in their block. The staff room is no longer used for morning teas and lunches.
- Where possible, duty teachers are assigned to duty areas for their blocks.
- Year level cohorts will attend the library on the same day.
- Year level professional learning committee meetings are held within the block with masks worn and social distancing.
- Staff Meetings are held through WebEx.
- Students will only use the toilets within their blocks.
- Cohorts will have staggered lunch times in allocated Year Level play areas.
- Specialist teachers are wiping down surfaces between classes.
- Equipment is cleaned regularly as per the cleaning requirements.

I wish to reassure all parents/carers that Campbell Primary School has both a COVID contingency plan and a COVID Response Plan. The COVID Response Plan is for when we are identified as having a COVID case within the school. The response plan has been trialled and is ready to implement, with the response team well-versed in its implementation.

In response to a positive COVID case within our school, you will be promptly informed through CONNECT and text message of any action you need to take. It is therefore imperative that we have up-to-date contact details for all families, as such letters were posted yesterday. Please ensure your child returns this form to their classroom teacher as soon as possible.

I thank you all for your ongoing support and cooperation with the COVID guidelines we have put in place, which are based on the information provided to the Department of Education through the Chief Health Officer.