

Be Safe

Be Respectful

Be A Learner

June 2023

## The end of Term 2 is fast approaching!

A great term of learning!

I could not be more proud of how far all of the students have come this Semester! Each and every day the students impress me with their dedication and determination to achieve their best in the classroom. They all should be very proud. 😊

Taekwondo

The Students have had a great time this term learning all things Marital Arts. Each week they have improved their skills of kicking, punching and breaking boards!

Gymnastics

Plans have already been locked in for our next sporting adventure—Tamila will take classes once a week at the Hamilton Gymnastics centre on Wednesdays.

Nightly Reading

Well done to everyone who has kept up their nightly reading routines! Many students have reached impressive reading millstones this term—Please keep reading over the upcoming holidays and remember to have your reading diary signed. 🍌

Sommers Camp

A huge Welcome Back to Ryan and Charli who had the opportunity to go away from a whole 9 days! They students had the opportunity to take part in many activities that helped them to grow and build self-esteem and confidence

Drama Victoria

Each week the students have been taking part in a scope and sequence of drama lesson arranged by Drama Victoria—These lessons will cumulate in an in-person workshop in Hamilton on the 19th of June. Venue TBC.

Shared School Community Lunch

Cooking classes don't usually occur in the last week of school BUT Ms Hulin has had to make an exception! In celebration of a wonderfully term of learning, the students

will showcase their cooking skills for anyone who wants to share in lunch with the students. *Please let us know if you can attend for catering purposes.*

Parent Teacher Interviews

Both Ms Sylvester and myself will be available to chat and discuss your students school report. Arrange a time or drop in on the day.

Lions Public Speaking Competition

The year 5 and 6s are currently writing speeches for the Lions Public Speaking competition to be held in August—The heats will be in the final week of term 2.

*As always, if you have any questions or concerns, feel free to drop in or call for a chat :)*

## June

**12th—Long Weekend—Pupil Free Day**

**13th—EarthEd—6:30am Departure from Merino —5:00pm Return Aprox**

**19th—Joint Drama Victoria Excursion in Hamilton Venue TBC**

**20th Reports Handed Out**

**22nd Parent Teacher Interviews**

**23rd End of Term 2**

**Shared School Community Lunch**

**2:30 Dismissal**

## Term 3 Dates

**Term 3 Returns July 10th**

**7th August—Sheepvention Presentation**

**Science Week (12th—20th) Baimbridge Visit**

**22nd August—Lightening Prems**

**September**

**15th—Last day of term**

**2:30 Early dismissal**

A reminder that no Kitchen classes run during the 1st and last weeks of term—please supply students lunches





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One of the most important things we can do to slow the spread of coronavirus (COVID-19) in our community is to stay at home when we are unwell, even when we have the mildest of symptoms.

## What you need to know

### 1. If a child is unwell, even with the mildest of symptoms, they must stay at home

If a child becomes unwell during the day, they must be collected from school/early childhood education and care (ECEC) as soon as possible.

### 2. If a child has any of the symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) outlined below, however mild, they should get tested and they must remain at home until they receive their results:

- fever
- chills or sweats
- cough
- sore throat
- shortness of breath
- runny nose
- loss of sense of smell or taste.

In certain circumstances headache, muscle soreness, stuffy nose, nausea, vomiting and diarrhoea may also be considered symptoms.

For further advice:

- call the 24-hour coronavirus (COVID-19) hotline 1800 675 398
- call a general practitioner
- use the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) [online self-assessment tool](#).

Visit: [Where to get tested](#).

### 3. A child must stay at home until they are symptom free, even if their coronavirus (COVID-19) test is negative

If a person has tested positive for coronavirus (COVID-19) they must isolate until they receive clearance from the Department of Health and Human Services. Read the [What to do if you've tested positive for coronavirus \(COVID-19\) factsheet](#) (PDF) for more information.

If a person is a close contact of someone who has tested positive for coronavirus (COVID-19) the Department of Health and Human Services will get in contact to tell them they are a close contact of a person who is confirmed to have coronavirus (COVID-19). A close contact must quarantine at home. Read the [What to do if you have been in close contact with someone with coronavirus \(COVID-19\) factsheet](#) (Word) for more information.

For information on the minimum periods students and children need to stay at home for other conditions, refer to the [DHHS school exclusion table](#).

### 4. Children do NOT need a medical certificate before returning to school/ECEC

Once symptoms have cleared, there is no requirement from the Department of Education and Training or DHHS for children/students to have a medical certificate before they return to school/ECEC.

**Thank you for your support in following these steps, together we can all stay safe.**

