



Term 4 Week 5 2021

## Possum Post

# Waterfall Public School Principal's Report

We are half way through the term and I would like to congratulate all students for a positive return to face to face learning.

### School Vandalism

As most of you are aware, we had some unwelcome intruders at the school overnight. We appreciate all the messages of support and the offers of help to repair our beautiful school.

School Security have agreed to increase patrols to Waterfall Public School to keep our lovely school safe and of course we ask that all community members report unusual activity at the school immediately

### COVID Restrictions Update

From November 8, the following guidelines will be followed in line with DET new COVID Level 3 restrictions:

#### Parents and Carers on site to support school operations

Fully vaccinated parents and carers will be allowed on site to support curriculum delivery, student wellbeing activities and school operations (for example reading support, canteens and uniform shops). Parents and carers must check in using the school check-in and show proof of vaccination on entry to the school site.

Review the following sections for further details on requirements for parents and carers on site.

#### Assemblies and presentations

Assemblies and presentations will be allowed outdoors on site. Cohorts should be separated with physical distancing in place.

Care must be taken to avoid mixing and mingling of cohorts when entering and exiting the assembly or presentation.

Fully vaccinated visitors (including parents and carers) are only allowed to attend if completing a specific role (such as presenting) and at the invitation of the school. All visitors must check in using the school check-in and show proof of vaccination.

#### Community use

Community use will be allowed outside of school hours, per general community settings and with a COVID-19 Safety Plan, including any specific plans required under Public Health Orders. This includes P&C meetings.

#### Dancing and music

Dancing will be allowed indoors or outdoors in class cohorts.

Bands, ensembles and classes will be allowed within cohorts and only for instruments that do not rely on breath. If unsure, consider whether the instrument could be played with a mask on. If yes – this instrument is allowed. Masks must be worn if playing instruments indoors. Physical distancing must be maintained at all times. Other instruments, as well as singing and chanting, are not permitted in Term 4



### Save the Date!

#### Term 4

#### Week 6:

##### **Tuesday 9 November:**

Kindergarten 2022 Transition students on site 9.30-10.30am

#### Week 7

##### **Wednesday 17 November:**

Kindergarten 2022 Transition students onsite 9.30-10.30am

#### Week 8

##### **Monday 22 November**

P&C meeting via Zoom 7pm

#### Week 10

##### **Tuesday 7 December:**

Presentation Day. More information to follow over the next few weeks.

##### **Wednesday 8 December:**

Kindergarten 2022 Transition on site 9.30-10.30am

#### Week 11

##### **Tuesday 14 December:**

Year 6 Farewell Surprise Day



*Thought of the week!*



### Excursions and incursions

Excursions will be allowed outdoors and indoors if the class cohort has sole use of the venue. Transportation to and from venues must maintain class cohorts.

Incursions will be allowed indoors or outdoors in cohorts. Any visitors on site to support incursions must be fully vaccinated and will be required to check in using the school check-in app and show proof of vaccination status on entry to the school site.

### Graduations and formals

Graduations and formals will be allowed within cohorts, either on school sites or at external venues.

For graduations in the venue based on COVID-safe capacity limits (square metre rules).

Graduations and formals held off school sites must comply with any COVID-safe requirements in place for that venue.

### Sports

From 1 November, [school sports are allowed](#), including inter-school sports outside of school hours.

Schools can access pools (both indoor and outdoor) within cohorts and with COVID-safe measures in place to reduce mixing and mingling of cohorts.

### Transitions and orientations

Transitions and orientations will be allowed as long as they are designed to minimise mingling between transition or orientation cohorts and school cohorts.

### Visitors

Fully vaccinated visitors are allowed on site to support curriculum delivery, wellbeing programs and school operations. These include programs such as reading support, canteens, uniform shops and gardening.

Other visitors may request the school's permission to come on site to conduct relevant work duties (such as media, representatives from agencies such as the NSW Ombudsman, researchers, members of parliament and their staff). These decisions are at the discretion of the school.

All visitors must sign in using the school check-in app and show proof of vaccination status on entry to the school site.

### **Year 6 Farewell Surprise Day**

We are monitoring COVID restrictions and planning a fun surprise day for our Year 6 school Leaders. We have some great ideas and look forward to surprising all of our students with lots of celebrations.

### **Gingerbread House Fundraiser:**

Don't forget to support our school and jump on Skool Loop to place an order in for a Gingerbread House kit. Orders close Friday 12 November.



### **P&C Uniform Shop:**

*P&C Uniform shop orders will be made via the school website. We intend to go live next week.*

*Please see attached price list and updated stock available. All uniform items are to be purchased online or via cash.*

*Please ensure you pay it to the P&C uniform shop account online and NOT the school account.*

*Lilly Morabito*

*Principal*