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Government of South Australia
Department for Education

TO: PARENTS/CARERS OF RECEPTION STUDENTS

RE: START OF SCHOOL

Dear parents/carers

The Department for Education has adjusted the start of the 2022 school year to help minimise the peak of COVID-19 cases in South Australia.

For primary schools this means that Reception and Year 1 students will start face-to-face teaching and learning at school on Wednesday 2 February. Year 2 to 6 students will start on Monday 14 February.

One of the important adjustments to help minimise the spread of COVID-19 is to require all students to be dropped off and collected 'at the gate'. No parents/carers are to enter school grounds or classrooms.

However, as Reception is such a significant milestone for students in their years of schooling, we have made the decision to allow parents/carers onto school grounds to drop off and collect Reception students as part of their transition to school. Entry into classrooms for parents / carers will not be possible.

At the start of the day (8.30 a.m.), please bring your child to the shelter outside the canteen where they will be collected by teachers and taken to their class in the nearby Orange Unit. Students can be collected from the same location at the end of the day (3.10 p.m.).

This practice will continue until Monday 14 February when all students will be able to return to face-to-face teaching and learning at school. We are confident, based on last year's experience with Reception students, that after nearly two weeks, our 2022 Reception students will be able to make their own way to their classroom in the mornings and to their pick-up point at the end of the day.

Please note: If you choose to keep your Reception or Year 1 child at home, or if they are required to isolate, **a school based remote learning program will not be offered.** Our department is developing online learning opportunities for Reception to Year 6 students that your child can access online. More detail will be provided.

We look forward to your support.



Brenton Robins
Principal



Jess Morris
Deputy Principal

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