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Dear parents and carers

Teachers and students returned to full-time on-campus teaching and learning from 25 May. The department has continued to provide updates about school operations in line with the evolving situation, AHPPC guidelines and health advice.

The transition to full-time face-to-face learning at Kingsgrove Public School has been successful and it is a credit to the staff and school community for ensuring the smooth operation of our school.

As a result of the updated health advice and relaxed restrictions, I am pleased to inform you the Department of Education has advised that schools are able to recommence the majority of school-based activities from the beginning of Term 3 Monday, 20 July.

We are reminded that it is important not to become complacent. All activities on school sites must occur in line with existing infection control procedures and the additional health, safety and distancing requirements outlined in the AHPPC Guidelines or in NSW Health advice, particularly as they relate to adults.

Non-essential visitors are still not allowed on site or at events – this includes parents/carers.

From Term 3, schools can resume the following:

- All school sport and activities including competitions aligned with current health advice (including those activities run by external organisations)
- School assemblies (limited to 15 minutes and no external visitors)
- Inter-school student events such as band, choir and performing arts within our school setting only
- Incursions/external adult providers to support delivery of curriculum
- Some activities which involve students visiting other schools
- Incursions not already permitted involving external adult providers, maintaining distancing and hygiene aligned with the health advice of the day
- Community use activities e.g. after school language programs
- SRE/SEE volunteers
- P&C meetings with a strong preference for on-line where possible
- Parent/teacher meetings where these need to take place, strong preference for on-line where possible unless involving serious matters that require face-to-face discussion

A limited number of activities remain under consideration and for now these events must remain on hold:

- School camps
- Excursions (other than field trips explained above)
- Parent attendance at assemblies and other school events (e.g. graduation ceremonies or student speech events)
- Group photos for staff
- Parent volunteers e.g. parent reading helpers (note: canteen and uniform shop volunteers are permitted)
- Interstate excursions

School based activities that involve large gathering of adults are not permitted at this time. These
include parent/community gatherings such as parent functions, working bees, fundraisers, school
BBQs, large parent information evenings, and large on-site cultural events. These large gatherings and
the following activities will continue to be reviewed and assessed based on AHPPC and NSW Health
advice and may be permitted at a later date.

The Department of Education anticipates further relaxation of restrictions over the coming weeks and as soon as possible we will communicate any changes to you.

Please feel free to contact myself at school on 9150 9097 if you have any questions.

Ms Fermanis Principal