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Dear Parents/Caregivers,

I hope you are keeping well.

The following information has been received from the Department for Education today.

While we have been supporting parent choice during this pandemic, we now expect all public school students who are well and not considered vulnerable to COVID-19 to attend school or preschool.

Students are required to attend school unless they are:

- *Feeling unwell*
- *Have a chronic medical condition or compromised immune system and are not able to attend school on advice from their medical practitioner*
- *Live in a household with others that are deemed vulnerable to COVID-19 and are not able to attend school on advice of their medical practitioner*
- *Have been diagnosed with COVID-19 or have been required to self-isolate by SA Health*

At KICE we have about 90% of students attending. If your child is not able to attend school for any of the above reasons please contact your child's class or home group teacher so that we can continue to provide support where required. If your child is unwell and based on medical advice has been tested for Covid 19 please do not return to school until a negative test result is confirmed.

We have also been advised that all school camps and excursions (outside of the school grounds) should continue to be deferred for now. SA Health believe it presents an unnecessary risk due to the transport and logistics involved, the need for extra supervisors/parent involvement and sharing of equipment.

Thank you to those parents who are maintaining the 1.5m physical distance between themselves and other adults (parents and teachers) at all times, including school drop off and pick up, we appreciate your support. Our sites are still not generally open to parents (other than drop off/pick up) and volunteers, any essential visitors e.g. maintenance workers, health professionals must complete a site entry form before starting work.

I will continue to keep you updated as we are faced with ever changing conditions.

If you have any concerns or wish to discuss any matters related to the current restrictions please feel free to give me a call.

Kind Regards,
Maxine McSherry
KICE Principal

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