



Dear parents and carers,

Welcome back to term 2.

This winter, we are again expecting to see a higher number of staff away this term due to seasonal illness. Unfortunately, these short-term absences can impact the way we run our schools.

Our focus remains on delivering quality teaching and learning and minimising disruptions. There may however be times where staff absences will mean that some schools need to temporarily adjust the delivery of programs.

This may include minor adjustments to school timetables, a reduction in extracurricular activities, camps and excursions, or periods of larger group or supervised independent learning. Teachers may use online educational resources as part of their teaching at school.

These changes support schools to ensure student learning is not impacted. Your school will keep you updated if changes are made.

Please be assured that we are continuing to prioritise recruitment and retention of highly skilled teachers across all of our schools.

How you can help

Finally, I would like to remind you that vaccination is one of the key protections against illness for our community. I encourage everyone who can, to get vaccinated for the seasonal flu and COVID-19. If your child becomes unwell, please do not send them to school until their symptoms have resolved.

You can access the latest information on our website: www.education.act.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Katy Haire'.

Katy Haire
Director General
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