

INFORMATION FOR FAMILIES

This information is about students attending school. It is for their families and carers.

EVERY DAY COUNTS

You and your child are an important part of your school's community.

Students will be returning to face-to-face learning in Term 1 and great things will be happening at your child's school this year.

We are so excited to have your child in the classroom, where they can receive the support that they need to succeed and have a happy experience at school this year.

Every day of attending school counts. Being at school supports your child's learning, social and mental wellbeing.

Supporting our students

Schools will be making sure classrooms are as safe as possible for students and will be monitoring their mental, physical and social wellbeing.

Your child's school will support students who need to catch up. Teachers will work with students to understand who may need extra learning support. Some students may be offered tutoring or other assistance to ensure that they are able to participate and enjoy their lessons.

Schools also have programs and staff who can respond to a range of student health and wellbeing needs.

If you have any questions or concerns about your child, you can contact your child's teacher or school principal, and you can talk with them about how the school can support your child.

Providing a COVID Safe environment

Your child's school is operating in a COVIDSafe way. Schools will make sure that staff and students wear masks, stay home when unwell, and physical distance when appropriate.

Schools will provide free, regular COVID rapid antigen testing for students to help keep them safe.

There will be voluntary rapid antigen testing in place for the first four weeks of Term 1 2022. The Victorian Government will deliver more than 14 million rapid antigen tests to schools and early childhood education and care services.

Your child's school will let you know if there has been a positive COVID case at school and what you need to do.

Helping keep your school community safe

Everybody has an important role to play. Mask wearing, hand washing and having your child vaccinated are all very important. All children aged 5 years and over can receive a vaccination and help to protect their family, friends and school community.

If your child is unwell, or has symptoms, keep them at home and notify your school.

Be prepared and know how to support your child's return to school.