

Dear Parents and Guardians

## **WELCOME BACK TO TERM 3**

I hope the three-week break has enabled families to spend some quality time together and take time out from the school routine to rest and reconnect, ready for the term ahead. From conversations with staff, students and family members around the school this week, there were exciting travels around WA and even interstate, whilst others were dealt the COVID-19 hand during the break and used the time to recover. We begin the term from a place of compassion, knowing that whilst some members of our community are refreshed, others will need our patience and support as they regain their health over the coming weeks.

We have a wonderful term ahead and welcome new students and staff into our JWACS community, some of whom are not very new at all! I know everyone will make them most welcome.

## **Staffing Matters**

With Mrs Melissa Cuming on Long Service Leave, we congratulate the following staff on their promotional appointments during this time –

- Acting Early Years Coordinator Lauren Heron (Fridays)
- Acting Dean of Teaching and Learning Primary Sheree Zecca (Thursday / Friday)

Staff commencing this Term -

- Glyn Teape Kookaburra Year 3
- Tara Castafaro Brolga Year 4
- Simon Blanchard Learning Enrichment Centre Years 3-6 (Monday Thursday)

Possum Year 2 (Fridays)

• Amanda Osborne – Education Assistant Year 5

## Our Approach in Term 3

It was helpful in Term 2 to share our approach in relation to COVID-19

With the health and safety of students and staff an ongoing priority, the School Executive have resolved to maintain a cautious approach in the coming weeks. In particular, we will avoid large gatherings of people indoors (staff, students, families) across Term 3. Further to the cross-sectoral letter sent on Friday 22 July, everyone is strongly encouraged to wear masks when indoors at school. We are appreciative that many students have commenced the term with this in mind.

A few specifics for Primary -

- Excursions will progress with stringent COVID-19 safety measures in place.
- Regular Chapel services will continue for students.

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- Rather than running several smaller assemblies, we will continue to run PP-6 Assemblies online each Friday morning.
- Clubs will run as planned.
- Celebration of key events Founders' Day, Book Week and Athletics Carnival will go ahead in modified formats.
- Planning continues for our Year 6 Encounter to Boshack. Under current guidelines this
  will go ahead as planned but with specific COVID-safe measures communicated to
  families closer to the time.

Should the government guidelines change we will continue to keep you informed.

I thank you in advance for the patience, care and positivity shown as we navigate the next few months. Have a wonderful term, and, as always, if you have any queries or concerns please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours sincerely

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