



Dear parents and carers

I would like to update with you some current information on the school's response to the COVID 19 situation. **New or adjusted information is highlighted in red.**

Bannister Creek Primary is remaining alert, but not alarmed.

Hygiene

The school has increased the measures taken to reinforce good hygiene habits with students including daily instruction to all students on:

- Frequently washing your hands for at least 20 seconds with soap and water, or using an alcohol-based hand gel
- Refraining from touching mouth and nose
- If coughing or sneezing, covering your nose and mouth with a paper tissue or flexed elbow.
- Dispose of the tissue immediately after use.

To support these messages, I have initiated daily inspections of all toilets on the school site, to ensure they are being kept clean with ample supplies of soap and disposable hand towel.

Mass Gatherings and Events

The following school events and activities have been cancelled or suspended:

Event or Activity	Action
Inter School Summer Carnival – Yr 6	Cancelled
Dance Sport Lessons – Yr 3 – 5	Suspended until Term 3
Colour Explosion Fun Run	Suspended until Term 3. A halt has been placed on all online fundraising
ANZAC service	Cancelled
Week 8 and 10 assemblies	Cancelled
Junior and Senior Choir	Cancelled for remainder of term
Year 6 Camp	The Year 6 Camp information morning for parents will now be held in Week 10 at a time to be advised. This meeting was originally scheduled for this Thursday, 19 th March. We will continue to take payments.





School Recess and Lunch

Students have been separated into three different play areas, for recess and lunch breaks, to prevent overcrowding of equipment. All students from K – 6 will also eat their lunch inside, sitting in a chair at a desk. This will allow teachers to monitor acceptable hygiene practices, prevent the sharing of food and allow acceptable space.

International Travel

In regards to international travel, if any student or **staff** member travels from or transits through the countries listed below, **students and staff must self-isolate for 14 days**

Higher Risk	Moderate Risk
<i>Must isolate for 14 days prior to attending</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• All countries•	<i>Can attend school, but self-monitor</i>

Information

Further information on the virus and its symptoms is available at www.healthywa.wa.gov.au/coronavirus or the health direct helpline on **1800 020 080**.

I will continue to provide the school community with information as it becomes available.

Regards

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