

Jennings Street School
Special Corona Virus Communication March 23rd

Dear Parents,

Yesterday the Victorian Government, with the support of the Chief Health Officer, announced the bringing forward of school holidays in Victoria, commencing from **Tuesday 24 March**.

This is obviously an unprecedented step in response to unprecedented circumstances. I greatly appreciate your support as we navigate our way through these challenging times.

Below sets out the arrangements for the rest of this week and looks ahead to the first week of Term 2.

Jennings Street School - Transition to Remote Learning

Your child has been granted an extended school holiday period, commencing **Tuesday 24th March**, extending to **Wednesday 15th April**. For the remainder of this week, your child's teachers will be developing appropriate resources for your child's remote learning. These duties will extend to include a **Student Free Day on Tuesday 14th April**. Teachers will have the resources ready for you to access in readiness for the "*Transition to Remote Learning*" commencing on **Wednesday 15th April**.

Given the large numbers of students not in attendance today, it is anticipated that many parents may want to make arrangements to pick up the personalised learning resources at a nominated time, towards the end of the school day on **Tuesday 14th April** or alternatively early on **Wednesday 15th April**.

The Learning resources at Jennings Street School will take 3 forms.

- 1 An Individualised package with tailored resources included to support your child's learning.
2. The **Jennings Street School Online Learning Resource Website**, this will be comprehensive in nature cover a variety of curriculum learning domains, categorize learning into levels etc.
3. Seesaw will provide a valuable platform for communicating with your child's teacher. Teaching staff will be able to reference the Learning Resource Website and guide you to access e learning resources.

Essential Services

Administration Staff have identified a number of essential services employees amongst our community who due to scheduled work commitments arising from the **State of Emergency**, may need to arrange with me care and support for your child from **Tuesday March 24th**.

In addition, due to the **State of Emergency**, essential services employees may require access to a holiday program placement for your child over the **Term 1 holidays**.

The Department is committed to work with OSHC providers to determine the level of provision of holiday programs that can be provided over these coming holidays.

The DET has procedures for the management of these requests, and I would ask that family who experience compromised care arrangements due to their involvement in the **State of Emergency** make contact with the **Principal Rosie Hayes on 04389 71424** upon receipt of this correspondence.

There will be further correspondence from me via the school website and Melissa Allport will make contact with some families in the near future.

Please take care and uphold the highest standards of personal safety during this difficult stage.

Rosie Hayes
Principal
Jennings Street School.