

NEWSLETTER

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Dear Families,

This week finds us in a position that we had hoped would be a distant memory – remote learning. The staff of GDPS would like to thank families for the overwhelming positive response to Thursday's news. I would also like to thank the staff personally, for working quickly as a team to arrange individual learning packs for each student, in a very short amount of time. We did not have a remote learning plan in place, as we no longer thought that we would need to have one. We hope that this hard work has helped families by taking away the inconvenience of waiting until Monday, and then having to arrange workpack collection.

Next steps...

As we know, there is a level of uncertainty surrounding the end date for the lockdown. Schools do not get any information ahead of the rest of the public. We are putting together some backup plans in the case of the lockdown extending. As soon as we are made aware of any changes, we will confirm our plans and inform our school community as soon as possible. The format of the learning will be determined by the expected remote learning period.

The positive news is that the Essential Assessments workpacks sent home, and the Reading Eggs, Mathletics and Essential Assessments programs, provide personalized learning tasks that are intended to be used over 6 – 12 month periods. This means that any families that are unable to access new learning resources will not be disadvantaged if we move to remote learning for a longer time period.

Assembly:

Regardless of a return to on site school, or remote learning, Friday's assembly will be cancelled, as there has been no school this week.

Friday:

On Friday, Miss Williams and I are required to attend online training for our upcoming School Review. This training is a non-negotiable, mandatory step in our Review process. Please note that we will both be unavailable for the day, and will attempt to respond to any calls or emails as soon as practicable.

Stay safe, and try out the "Go Noodle" website for some family fun time!

Tamara Halket, Principal

TERM 2 2021	<u>DATES TO REMEMBER</u>	TERM 2 2021	<u>DATES TO REMEMBER</u>
Thu 3rd June	Regional Cross Country	Mon 14th June	Queens Birthday Public Holiday
Mon 7th June	No MARC Van	Tue 15th June	School Council Meeting 6.30pm
Tue 8th June	Book club Orders Due	Wed 16th June	Division Netball
Thu 10th June	Parents Club AGM 9am	Tue 22nd June	Life Education