

# Albury West Public School

## Widening Horizons



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Term 4 Week 6

19<sup>th</sup> November 2020

**To endeavour to keep everyone well, please remember that if your child is unwell or has flu like symptoms then they (and you) should not attend school and will require a COVID test before resuming school.**

Dear families

You may have read in the media etc that new COVID guidelines have been produced for schools. In point form the new guidelines include:

From 12<sup>th</sup> November – P&C meetings can proceed on school site after school hours – max 20 people; physical distancing must be adhered to.

Parents can purchase/pick-up uniforms from uniform shop – preference is to pre-ordering.

Parents/carers are not allowed on school site or at offsite school events held during school hours except for:

Meetings with executive

Pick up from sick bay

Uniform shop duties/canteen duties.

All parents must sign the external visitor's form each time they visit regardless of frequency/duration of visit.

School assemblies can recommence – students must remain in cohort group. Parents are not permitted to attend.

Small group celebrations can be held in an outdoor setting – limited to 30 people (this includes staff, students and parents).

Ensure that all attendees, including students, staff and visitors, including parents and carers, are well and free of any flu-like symptoms.

Schools must comply with the 4 square metre rule for all people participating. Schools will need to invite guests based on the total number of people (this includes staff, students, parents and carers and visitors) who are able to be accommodated under the 4 square metre rule.

Schools may need to consider holding multiple events across year groups or stage group cohorts in order to comply with the 4 square metre rule.

For seating arrangements:

ensure there is enough space for distancing of 1.5 metre between non-household members

All visitors sign the external visitors form.

Ensure people remain seated as much as possible to minimise mingling outside of household or close friend groups.

Ensure there is no self-serve or buffet-style food service. If hospitality staff are engaged to serve food or take orders, it is recommended that these staff wear a mask.

Reduce crowding where possible and promote physical distancing with markers on the floor in areas where people are asked to queue, such as students waiting to come on stage to receive their certificate.

Consider how awards and certificates are distributed or handed to the recipients in a COVID-safe way.

Special guests such as the Local Member of Parliament must be kept to a minimum and be included in the maximum number of participants for the 4 square metre rule.

Adopt and promote good hygiene practices. Make sure that bathrooms are well stocked with hand soap and paper towels or hand dryers. Have hand sanitiser at key points around the venue such as entry and exit points.

If students are likely to want yearbooks or other items signed by their classmates, encourage them to bring their own pen to avoid sharing pens.

Schools are required to maintain a record of names and contact details for all attendees including school staff and visitors for at least 28 days after the event. This record must only be used for the purposes of contact tracing for COVID-19 infections and be stored confidentially and securely. If possible, create and maintain a record of the seating plan to support contact tracing.

External visitors should not be allowed access to areas outside of the designated event venue and should leave promptly at the conclusion of the event.

So a few changes are going to be made to our usual end of year activities.

### **Presentation Day**

We will hold our Presentation Day via zoom on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December.

10.15am K-2 – no speeches, no guests

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us05web.zoom.us/j/83087786697?pwd=dHR5NStLNTdVc1JVcnRnZTZlUi9FZz09>

Meeting ID: 830 8778 6697

Passcode: mvw6nm

11.45am – 3-6 – no speeches, no guests

<https://us05web.zoom.us/j/82553638446?pwd=S1QxeGJwQ2VTK3BaQWxVQ3hqWVpQQT09>

Meeting ID: 825 5363 8446

Passcode: tFa13r

A link has been provided to families wishing to join the zoom meetings. Families will be informed if their child is receiving an award on the day. We would appreciate it if you could inform us of your email address prior to the meeting, so that we can let you join the zoom meeting. Please note all Kindergarten students are given an award in the form of a book upon completion of their first year at school.

Year 5 students running for a leadership position in 2021 will be announced in the 3-6 session.

**The Singalong** will be cancelled as singing is still considered a high risk activity.

**The end of year disco** has been cancelled as preference for this type of event is for it to be held outside with room for 1.5m distancing and students remain in cohort groups. We don't have large enough year groups to support a disco. We have a good relationship with our neighbours that back on to our school and we would like to keep it that way.

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## **The Year 6 Graduation**

The Year 6 Graduation will go ahead, but it will be very different from previous years.

A Graduation Assembly will be held at school under the COLA on 12pm Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December – a photo will be taken as each Year 6 student is presented with their certificate. This will be sent home to families at the end of the school day.

This will be followed by a Graduation Luncheon which will be held at the Albury Commercial Golf Club on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December. Year 6 students will be provided with a meal, drink and dessert. All costs associated with the meal and transport will be covered by the P&C and the school. This is only for the Year 6 students and 2 staff (Mr Beveridge and Mrs Julien).

We will follow strict hygiene procedures - sanitise before, during and after the meal.

A risk assessment will be completed and the venue has supplied us with their COVID safe plan.

## **Pool Party and Rumble Tumbles**

Rumble Tumbles will continue for the K-2 students as the venue has the capacity to support 75 visitors at any one time. We will be attending a private session and strict hygiene procedures will be adhered to.

We have cancelled the Pool Party for the 3-6 students and have instead booked the cinema to see a movie on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> December.

I hope you understand that we, as a school, are making decisions that are designed to keep your child healthy and safe. We thank you for your continued support and understanding in this matter.

## **Remembrance Day**

Our school acknowledgement of Remembrance Day was held at school last week. Thank you to Stuart Beveridge, Caryn Jacobs and members of the SRC for organising and coordinating the moving ceremony which was viewed online by class groups.

*Principal  
Sharon Julien*

## **IMPORTANT DATES**

<b>Albury High School Year 6 Orientation Day</b>	<b>Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> December</b>

## **P&C NEWS – UNIFORM SHOP**

**The Uniform Shop now has EFTPOS.** You no longer need to have cash to purchase your uniform needs. Purchases can still be made at the front office.

## SCHOOL ASSEMBLY AWARDS

Congratulations to the following award winners:-

### Gotcha Awards

#### Merit Certificates

Joseph Carlo, Brooke Hanby, Noah Quinn, Beau Boulton, Eli Hogan, Annabelle Horn, El O'Dea, Harvey Gay, Preston Stead, Harry Hopper, Skye Lush, McKenna Lovatt, Shan Lucas, Harley Hamilton.

#### Citizen Awards

Isaac Williams-Morey, Jonah Whybrow, Jamieson Stevens, Marshall Deas. Malakai Rigney, Isaiah Whybrow, Thea Browne, Elijah Graham, Rachael Hobbs, Riley Gratton, Marshall Deas, Anell Carola, Gabriella Tecksingani.

#### How2Learn Awards

Miley Barton, Jarryn Delphin, Melody Delabertauche, Mason Loney, Cruz Arnaez, Kaylee Nugent, James Royal, Ruby Henderson, Nicholas Willis, Emily McLaws, Ellie Baxter, Kane Roberts, Lakeisha Murray.

#### Student of the Week

Jasmine McNair-Eade, Riley Gratton.

#### Clean Kangaroo

K/1S, 3/4M

#### Aussie of the Month

## P&C NEWS - CANTEEN

### THRIFTY THURSDAY SPECIALS

November 26 <sup>h</sup> -	Nacho's and TNT Ice Block	\$5.50
	Ravioli and TNT Ice Block	\$5.00
	Fried Rice and TNT Ice Block	\$4.50
	3 X Dim Sims and TNT Ice Block	\$2.00
December 3rd -	Cheese Toastie and Slushy	\$5.00
	3 X Party Pies and Slushy	\$4.50
	2 X Volcanoes and Slushy	\$4.50
	2 X Pizza Muffins and Slushy	\$3.5

# Got symptoms? Get tested.

Anyone with COVID-19 symptoms should be tested.

Symptoms include:



fever



cough



sore throat



difficulty breathing



loss of smell



loss of taste

**Other reported symptoms of COVID-19 include:**

fatigue, runny nose, muscle pain, joint pain, nausea/vomiting,  
diarrhoea, loss of appetite or other flu symptoms.



Testing is free, quick and easy  
for coronavirus



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## An important message about our response to COVID-19

The health and safety of our staff and students is of the utmost importance to our school. We have implemented a range of measures to help keep our school community healthy and reduce the spread of infection and illness. Some simple measures we ask that you adopt include:



### Stay home if you're sick

If you have been unwell - with symptoms such as high temperature, cough, sore throat, and/or shortness of breath - please don't visit our school. Contact our office to speak to one of our staff.

Ph: 6025 1157



### Increase hygiene practices

Clean your hands regularly and thoroughly. Cover your cough or sneeze with your elbow or a tissue. Dispose of tissues properly.



### Maintain a healthy distance

For the health and wellbeing of our staff and students, please stand at least 1.5 metres apart while waiting in our office. Our visitors are encouraged to wait outside for their turn to speak with our office staff. We are also applying distancing requirements across all areas of the school as is reasonable and practicable.



### Thank you for your patience

We know this is a difficult time, but we are doing all we can to support our staff and students. We appreciate your patience and support while we work together to minimise the impact of COVID-19 in our community.



**Please use hand sanitiser**

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# Youth & Community BBQ

**Time:** 12:00pm to 2:00pm  
**Date:** Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2020  
**Location:** West Albury Skate Park, West Albury.

Come along for a free sausage sizzle and take part in activities with your local Police and PCYC staff.

Also learn about your local PCYC and what it has to offer.

Supported by Albury City Council and Carevan

**ALBURY WEST PUBLIC SCHOOL  
CANTEEN ORDER FORM**

<b>Name</b>		
<b>Class</b>		
1 order form per child	<b>Cost</b>	
<b>Recess order</b>		
<b>Lunch order</b>		
	<b>TOTAL MONEY ENCLOSED</b>	\$

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# COVID-19

## Keep yourself and your loved ones safe



**Stay 1.5 metres or two big steps away** from other people



**Follow NSW rules for gatherings and activities** (individuals and businesses). Follow advice to avoid COVID-19 hotspots



**Don't attend big family gatherings.** Catch up with a small group instead



**Stay safe when out and about.** Take hand sanitiser with you. Clean your hands often



**No shaking hands, hugging or kissing** other people who don't live with you



**Stay in if you feel unwell. Get tested** if you have any symptoms. Avoid contact with others until you are well

### COVID-19 symptoms



Fever



Cough



Sore throat



Shortness of breath



Loss of smell



Loss of taste

### Stay Safe



**Clean your hands thoroughly** for at least 20 seconds with soap and water, or an alcohol-based hand sanitiser



**Cover your nose and mouth** when coughing and sneezing with a tissue or your elbow. Put the tissue in the bin and wash your hands



For more information call the National Coronavirus helpline on **1800 020 080** (available 24/7). For free help in your language call **13 14 50**.

[www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19](http://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19)

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