

Update - 8th May

Dear Parents / Carers,

We come to the end of Week 4!!!! Congratulations to all!!

As mentioned in this week's Newsletter, at this stage we still have no further updates on timeframes for a return to school. We may know more as the Premier may make some announcements regarding restrictions on Monday 11th May. We will keep you informed as things evolve and change!

We are extremely heartened to see the children and families at our school do their best in the remote online learning environment we find ourselves in. However, we are certainly aware that this has been a significant challenge for many parents as you endeavour to support your children at home while at the same time trying to juggle working from home yourself, supporting vulnerable family members and coping with the numerous and varied implications of COVID 19 in general.

Once again I reiterate that you can only do what your family circumstances allow for. Please do not be stressed or concerned if you have not completed everything that is set out. The wellbeing of your child and every member of your family is the most important thing as we journey through this most unusual term.

There is no doubt it is difficult for all involved and a return to the normality of schooling – at school – is everyone's preferred option but we need to be led by the advice of our State Government for children to remain at home and will respond as required to any new directives.

Once again, I need to remind families that it is so important that if you are able to provide care for your child or if an adult is at home, your child must stay at home. This expectation has not changed and at this point is more important than ever.

Thank you for the messages of support we have received and the feedback you took the time to share with teachers and members of the Leadership Team. The feedback has been very positive and we appreciated receiving the constructive feedback which was also provided. Teachers are constantly adapting / changing / implementing approaches to Home learning in whatever way possible, given a multitude of factors that need to be considered.

Corpus Christi Staff

I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge and thank all our staff on the amazing job they are doing in supporting every child in our school as best they can in this completely new way of learning. They have had to adapt and learn so much in such a short space of time and I am extremely proud of the work being done. They have been innovative, researched widely and created resources that support their students in accessing the Term 2 intended curriculum as best they can.

Some of their numerous roles during this time has included but is not limited to:

- Planning regularly within their teams to set Home Learning each week
- Pre- Recording tutorials and a variety of videos to support the learning set for the week
- “Zooming” with whole class / small targeted groups / individuals when necessary
- Connecting regularly with individual children and parents on a needs basis
- Personalised responses and learning plans for particular needs of children and families
- Continuous monitoring and review as teachers work directly with children and families
- Onsite supervision of children at school
- Responding to emails, presentation of work and numerous queries on a regular basis
- Providing ongoing feedback on work presented
- Researching and collaborating regarding ‘Best Practice’ within this space

Staff are doing a marvellous job in responding to the individual needs of all our families and children and providing the support families need as best they can within the constraints of the time we find ourselves.

Once again, I thank you for all your support and for the encouragement you are providing your children while they are at home. Please reassure your child that their teachers and support staff are here for them and they will do all they can to support them. ***We miss them and their beautiful smiling faces and we look forward to when we can be together again back at school!!***

Stay safe and stay well!!

***Kind regards,
Linda***

Happy Mother’s Day to all our mothers, grandmothers and significant women in our lives.

May you all enjoy a very happy and blessed Mother’s Day with your families – in whatever way you are able to at this time.

