



# Coolamon Central School Newsletter

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## *from The Principal*



I would like to acknowledge the difficulties that we are all facing at the moment due to the effects of the COVID -19 virus. Unfortunately, social media and some mainstream media have put out confusing and often inaccurate information. As a public school, we will be following the official advice from the NSW Department of Education. The information below is from the Deputy Secretary, Murat Dizdar.

### **Schools remain open**

The health advice on schools remains unchanged. Our Chief Medical Officers indicate that our schools should remain open for education provision at this time.

The Government and Department are encouraging you to keep your child at home from Tuesday, 24 March to contribute to supporting the community response to COVID-19. The school's doors will remain open for those students whose parents are in the essential services or who are vulnerable.

As updated expert information comes to the Department, who are in constant liaison with NSW Health we will keep you informed of any impact on school operations.

### **Supporting continuity of learning for all students**

Our staff have been working hard to develop a suite of learning resources and options for students to undertake from home. The Department has developed and will continue to develop resources and offer professional learning to help teachers with this task.

Whether your child is at school or at home, the aim is for all students to access the consistent learning content provided by our school. This may mean sending work home, either with physical materials or by email, or by making use of one of our online platforms at our school.

### **Support for students at home**

I encourage you to access the [Learning from Home](#) resource which provides practical advice to parents and carers on how to best create and support a productive learning environment in the home.

As of Thursday morning, Coolamon Central School will be emailing all parents with attachments so that your children can access learning. We will also be making printed packages available to all families without the necessary internet access. These can be collected from the front office from 8.30 Thursday morning.

The school canteen will be closed from Wednesday. If your children are attending school it is important that you provide them with adequate food for the day. Breaky Central will also be closed from Wednesday. Please do not send your children to school if they are showing any signs of respiratory illness as we will be sending them home.

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