



Governing Council- Principal Report

Dear all,

Thank you in advance for your understanding regarding the postponement of this week's Governing Council meeting. Following on from the letter sent from WPS to our school community yesterday I'd like to inform you of a number of consistent messages from all local Principals to their communities that were decided today at our Partnership meeting. A letter will be sent home to all families to inform families of local events, excursions that will be cancelled/postponed. It has been agreed that all excursions/incursions and camps will be cancelled until the end of May. Sites will work to action the following.

- All visiting guest speakers coming into our schools will be cancelled up to the end of May.
- Teachers will continue to work with students around hygiene, hand washing and carrying own drink bottles,
- Teachers will use staff meeting time for the remainder of the term to create resource packs should it be directed that schools shut.
- Work Health Safety committees are reviewing processes in regard to the regular and consistent cleaning of computers and iPads etc. after each use, along with hand washing prior to eating. Shared resources such as pencils will be distributed to individual children.
- We would like to reassure our communities that at this stage schools are a safe place for our students. Should this change, we will follow Departmental procedures and the community will be alerted.
- School tours will be for after May
- We are working with the approach of 'slowing down' our approach to extra-curricular activities while continuing our focus on learning. While we are taking every precaution so that schools can remain open, should the need be to close for a period of time, we aim to be prepared so that there is minimal disruption to student learning.
- OSHC, as a childcare service, will be will remain open, with staff following SA Health advice.
- All students have been given named drink bottles, with push button drink taps being turned off, leaving a tap to fill bottles.
- Staff attending outside professional development may have this cancelled, however, this will follow department directives.

At this time I ask that our Governing Council show leadership within the community and direct any comments not based in fact to site leaders to be addressed.

Thank you in advance for your ongoing support,

Warm Regards,

Dominica Thomson
Principal Wallaroo Primary School

