



Good Morning Parents and Carers

The Director General of Education has today informed me that new arrangements will be in place for students commencing next week.

*“Today, the Government has announced all public schools in Western Australia will remain open until the end of term – **Thursday, 9 April 2020.**”*

However, families are now encouraged to keep their children at home if they have the capacity to do so. The Department’s learning from home resources are available to them.

What this means for your school is:

- *From Monday, 30 March to Friday, 3 April all children who attend school will be taught as normal.*
- *The following week (6 to 9 April) teachers and education assistants will prepare teaching programs for Term 2.*
- *During this time (6 to 9 April), students who attend school will be supervised.*

The Government recognises there will still be families who need to send their children to school to continue their learning during this period. These may include:

- *Children of parents and carers who need their children to attend school to maintain employment.*
- *Children who live in families with aged relatives.*
- *Children where it is safer for them to be at school.”*

I will be continuing to work with my staff to ensure that all students have access to learning and teachers are prepared with online resources from the beginning of Term 2. Some teachers are already enabling students to access resources through CONNECT.

Parents are advised to email the school as soon as possible, using the school email address if they still need to be registered to CONNECT.

I would greatly appreciate parents and carers not contacting individual teachers at this time whilst they manage the students still on site and prepare for online learning from Term 2.

I would like to sincerely thank the wonderful Lynwood community – the many community members, parents and carers who have sent messages of support and encouragement at this challenging time. We are so lucky to be able to work in partnership with you. Our hearts go out to your children as they meet the challenges ahead, and to each and every one of you and your families as you deal with the financial, emotional, health and social impact of Coronavirus.

We will be supporting your children throughout this time, and have plans to ensure that we can keep in touch with those who need us through the coming weeks.

**Stay healthy,
Best wishes to you all,**

**Gerri Hardy
Principal**