



Dear P-6 Parents and Guardians

From the Principal's Pen – Information for Weeks 1 - 5 Term 2

Firstly, I hope you managed to have an enjoyable holiday and Easter long weekend with your family. This letter gives you the latest information with regards to your child's learning for weeks 1-5 of Term 2. We continue to follow directives from the Queensland Department of Education (DoE) and Queensland Health.

Directive: The QLD Government has decided that, in order to reinforce social distancing across the community and slow the spread of COVID-19, **students will move to a home-based learning model from 20 April 2020** until at least 22 May 2020 (Weeks 1 to 5 of Term 2). A decision about the remainder of Term 2 will be made by mid-May. During this period, **all students who are able to be supervised at home and learn from home are to stay home.**

Essential Workers and Vulnerable Children: Those children whose parents or carers work in 'essential' roles and must attend their workplace and cannot access alternative care will continue to be able to attend school and supervision will be provided to complete remote learning delivery on site. On the days you are not attending your external workplace it is expected that learning will be completed from home. Students identified as vulnerable will also continue to attend school. Please note – 'vulnerable' children include children who are currently receiving services from Child Safety or are subject to a youth justice order. **Click [here](#) to access further clarification from DoE COVID-19 Frequently asked questions for parents.**

P-6 Learning: College staff spent considerable time at the close of last term ensuring your child will have ongoing learning for Term 2. All P-6 year levels created '**Learning Guides**' to support remote learning. The same learning material utilised for remote learning and will also be utilised for those students required to attend school. In the first instance you will receive an email from your child's teacher **by 9am Monday April 20th**. The email will determine learning activities for the day/week and information around teacher/student/parent communication. Teachers will be available to actively answer as many queries as possible between 9am and 2pm, Monday to Friday.

Learning Information from the College: You will also be sent a range of documents to support the year level your child is in. These include; Supporting Your Child's Reading, UCSC P-6 Matrix of Specialist Ideas and Activities, Useful Websites. These will be emailed **by midday Monday April 20th**.

Remote Learning Guidelines: Please find below another copy of the UCSC Remote Learning Guidelines.

College Facebook Page and Staff Contact Details: Please keep an eye on the College Facebook page. We continue to provide useful information via this forum. We are also providing information to families via email. The contact details of college staff are available on the College [website](#).

We are here to support you: Treat the first week as a 'starting school' or orientation type of week. Not everything will go to plan, and it might take a while to work out how to find and use the right resources and understand what's best for you and your child. The 'how to' will come first, and then the learning. In the event that online communication is very hectic at the start of Term 2, please remain patient and remember we are here to support you in every way possible. Your child's classroom teacher is available to support with all home-based learning questions and anything you may require assistance with.

Yours sincerely,

Carmel Ord
Junior Principal P-6





REMOTE LEARNING GUIDELINES

for students and parents...

Stay Connected

Use a mobile device's hot spot to download materials. Regularly check our website and Facebook page.



Ask questions

If you don't understand something, email your teacher.



Workspace

Work in a quiet area, at a desk or table and try to limit distractions.



Use classroom language

Talking to your teachers and in class is different from how you speak to your friends online. Use proper grammar and avoid excessive emojis.



Focus

Stay focused on your task. Read emails from your teacher each day.



Take Breaks

Take breaks away from screen. Move around and try not to sit all day.



Your normal routine

Eat breakfast, brush your teeth and get dressed in the morning.

