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Parents and Citizens Meeting Wednesday 28 July 2021 Principal's Report

- Mr Adam Hughes has been appointed Relieving Principal NNPS through to 27 January 2022 by the Director of Educational Leadership (DEL) through a competitive Expression of Interest (EoI) process.
 - **1.1.** Thank you Tanya Russell for relieving as Principal in Term 2. Tanya returns her role as Deputy Principal.
- 2. Term 3 commenced with the NSW Government announcing a return to COVID-19 lockdown protocols for Greater Sydney. The lockdown has caused disruption to the start of Term 3. However, given the experience and lessons learned from the previous lockdown, NNPS has moved with speed and agility to engage students with learning from home programs.
 - **2.1.** The NSW Premier today announced that restrictions will continue until at least 28 August. This includes the continuation of Learning from Home for all schools in Greater Sydney.

3. Learning:

Consistent with COVID-19 - Safe School Operations Protocols (attached Appendix A) Learning from Home Level 4, NNPS has activated learning plans to support the continuity of education with a specific focus on literacy and numeracy. In the planning, teachers have prepared units of work with a range of learning tasks accessible for all students. Students are encouraged to attempt all tasks and work at their own pace. Teachers are making wellbeing calls to families, to check in with students to see how they are managing their work flow (no caller ID will appear on the incoming call).

3.1. NNPS has embraced technology, creating Google Classrooms, Zoom live teaching times, quality learning plans supported by synchronous and blended learning approaches. Google Classroom has been introduced and implemented effectively across stages 2 and 3. For stage 1 and Kindergarten we are further investigating quality virtual learning platforms that will best support our students. NNPS plan to have these up and running ASAP.

4. Site Operations:

Site logistics are currently very challenging, as NNPS needs to minimise the risk to all staff and students. We are continuing to implement a series of additional measures including, the design and re-design of school operations to minimise mixing of groups and to support physical distancing of students and teachers.

4.1. The current operational model is an A/B team split across odd and even weeks. This is challenging with students arriving on site who have not registered for the anticipated onsite attendance register.

5. Community:

The NNPS community has shown agility and resilience continuously throughout this pandemic. As a community we have the responsibility to follow the NSW Government stay at home order and engage in the NPPS Learning from Home arrangements.

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NNPS acknowledges parents working in the NSW frontline services and families in extraordinary circumstances who may need to send their child to school. If this is the case parents are required to inform the school the day prior. A registration protocol has been established for this.

- **5.1.** Students are to be dropped off and collected from the Namona Street gate only. A senior member of staff will be at the gate supervising drop off and pick up.
- **5.2.** There is no-site access for anyone who is not registered to be on site for that day. Circumstances may require Principal or Principal Delegate approval.

6. Communication:

Parents and carers have been urged to seriously consider the need to send children to school for any reason other than they are a frontline worker.

6.1. NSW Department of Education directive; Parents and carers in Greater Sydney must keep children - across primary and secondary school - at home unless they need to be at school. Schools and outside of school hours care (OOSHC) services are open for any child that needs it.

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7. A third NNPS Community Zoom Assembly will be scheduled for Week 4, details to follow.