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Updated COVID19 Guidelines

Dear Parents/Carers

The NSW Department of Education released new COVID operating guidelines yesterday morning that need to be implemented by tomorrow, Wednesday 19 August 2020.

Following a review of our processes and practices please find the changes listed below:

- The back gate will be closed in the mornings only until further notice
- Staff and students are **not** to attend work or school if they are unwell
- Staff and students who have flu like symptoms, even mildly, **are required to be COVID tested** – this is not a school decision, this has been brought down from NSW Health and NSW Department of Education
- Staff and students must not return to work or school until they return a negative COVID-19 result <u>AND</u> are symptom free
- Schools should limit activities to year groups whenever possible.

I appreciate that this is going to be challenging for some of our families, however, we are all expected to comply.

If your child has been tested, school staff have to **sight the negative test**. We will also require the following information:

- When the test was conducted
- Where the test was conducted
- Date the result was received

To make it a little easier for families you can send this information along with the negative result to our school email (<u>glenmorepk-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au</u>) or via text to our school mobile. *I am collecting the mobile today and will advise the number as soon as I can. Please note this mobile is for texts only.*

If your child is absent from school, we ask that you advise the school of the reason via Skoolbag, email, text or call by **10.30am each day they are absent**. If we do not hear from you, we will be required to make contact with you to gather this information.

I remind you all once again to abide by the 1.5m physical distancing requirement whenever you are in or near the school.

I ask that if you are contacted by one of my staff members that you remember they are just doing their job as directed by NSW Health and the NSW Department of Education.

I thank you for your ongoing support and co-operation. I know these are challenging and uncertain times, but when we work together, things are easier.

Natalie Mansour Principal 18 August 2020