



16 March 2020

Good afternoon all,

Overnight, the Department of Education has released advice for schools to operate in accordance to the governments COVID-19 pandemic plan.

It is expected that if any students are unwell they remain at home and do not attend school. This may conflict with assessments for some students. To support this, all students adhering to this advice will be assisted with an appeal that will not require a doctor's certificate. In these cases, please contact the school to advise that your student is absent due to respiratory illness and an appeal is required.

In line with this advice, Recess and lunch times have also been staggered for students. We will be cancelling all school assemblies, excursions that are overnight, out of Dubbo, to aged care facilities or sporting events. In addition Parent Teacher Evening next Tuesday 24 March is also cancelled. In lieu of the Parent Teacher Evening all staff will be completing a short progress report for all students. This will be emailed home and published on the parent portal as per the schools reporting process.

I will communicate any further information as it becomes available. In the meantime I seek your assistance in assuring students who are unwell with respiratory illness, remain home until symptoms resolve and, where appropriate, seek advice from a medical practitioner (call ahead first). The department has also asked if students present to school unwell that they are to be sent home.

Please follow the World Health Organisations recommended actions to clean your hands thoroughly for at least 20 seconds with soap and water and cover your nose and mouth with your elbow or a tissue when you cough or sneeze.

Kind Regards,

Mrs Debbie Head

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Principal





Information from Western School Sports Association

The Western SSA advises that the following trials/championships will not proceed -

1. Secondary Girls Basketball trials
2. Primary Divisional Rugby Union trials
3. Primary Boys & Girls Football trials
4. Secondary Boys Football trials
5. Primary Girls Hockey trials
6. Primary Divisional Boys Softball trials
7. Secondary Rugby League trials
8. Secondary Girls Football trials
9. Primary Divisional Girls Softball trials
10. Primary Rugby League trials
11. Secondary Bowls trials
12. Primary Boys Hockey trials
13. Secondary Touch trials
14. Secondary Golf trials
15. Secondary Squash trials

All District, Western, NSWPSSA and NSWCHSSA activities will be 'temporarily ceased until further notice'.

