

DURAL PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Thursday 29th January, 2021

Dear parents and caregivers,

We are so looking forward to welcoming back our Years 1 to 6 students tomorrow (Friday 29th January 2021).

Tomorrow we are also welcoming Kindergartens as they complete the Best Start Interviews, as well as our new Year 5 Opportunity Class students for their Orientation Day. These parents will be the first to test our two step sign in protocol, signing in with the school QR code as well as the new Schools NSW Services check in tool.

First day back procedures

Our Dural teachers will be welcoming our students back to school tomorrow at the gates and the top playground. Please follow the same drop off procedures from 2020; drop students at the gate, social distance where possible and avoid coming on site without prior appointment.

Students will line up in class lines under the blue shade cloth in last year's classes before school (8:50am – 9:20am).

Tomorrow students can wear their sports uniform as every Friday (and Wednesday) is a designated sports day at Dural Public School for K-6).

In the afternoon class teachers will follow the same dismissal procedures as the end of last year. K-2 teachers will walk students up to the gates to be dismissed at approximately 3:15pm. Years 3-6 students will be dismissed at the gates at 3:20pm. Please ensure where possible that you are social distancing when waiting outside the school grounds.

Updated COVID Guidelines from the Department of Education

Health and Wellbeing

We would like to remind you that students <u>must not attend school if they are unwell</u>, even with the mildest symptoms. Students must return a negative COVID-19 tests and be symptom free prior to returning to school. If a student is sent to school unwell or develops symptoms throughout the day parents will be notified to collect their child.

Parents on site

Parents and carers can enter the school to:

- Meet with school staff for a scheduled appointment
- Drop off students for Kindergarten Best Start and OC Orientation
- Attend Meet the Teacher evenings in Term 1 (Staggered dates and times to be advised)
- Purchase uniforms from the uniform shop for OC, Kindy and new students (By appointment online via the Uniform Shop website: https://duraluniformshop.square.site/new-students). All other students are to purchase uniforms online and they will be delivered to classrooms.
- P&C meetings can occur on site after hours.

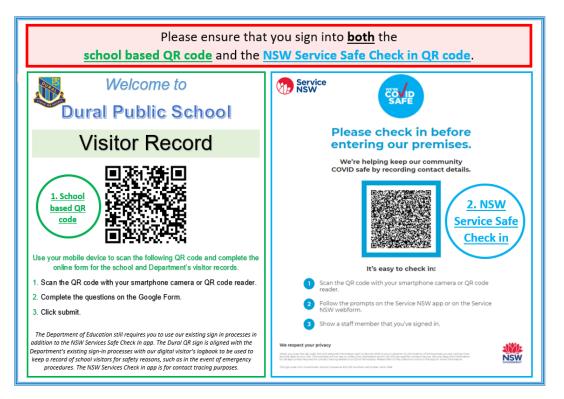
Sign In Procedures

When parents are on site for scheduled appointments or events such as orientation days we now have a
<u>two step sign in procedure</u>. Parents are reminded to bring a smartphone on site at all times to assist with
signing in. Please visit the office directly if you do not have access to a smart phone.



 Parents must sign in to our Dural Public School digital visitor log using the QR code and complete the COVID safety questionnaire. Parents and visitors are also required to sign in to the NSW Services check in. These two QR codes are located on posters and central entry points around the school (school gates, outside the office and the bus shelter). Please ensure that you adhere to social distancing when signing in to the app on school grounds.

The Department of Education still requires you to use our existing sign in processes in addition to the NSW Services Safe Check In app. The Dural QR sign is aligned with the Department's existing sign-in processes with our digital visitor's logbook to be used to keep a record of school visitors for safety reasons, such as in the event of emergency procedures. The NSW Services Check in app is for contact tracing purposes.



Face Masks

- According to the Department guidelines, staff and students are not required to wear face masks while at school. Students are permitted to wear their own mask if they choose.
- Students over the age of 12 must wear a mask on public transport to and from school.

Bubblers

NSW Health advised that communal water fountains and/or bubblers in NSW schools can now be turned on. We still encourage students to **bring water bottles from home** that they can refill when needed.

We look forward to a fantastic learning journey in 2021!

Milly Stone

Principal