

ALEXANDRIA PARK COMMUNITY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers,

COVID-19 Response Plans and Procedures 7-12 'Schools to Implement Distancing Measures'

The NSW Department of Education is introducing proactive measures to limit the impact of novel coronavirus (COVID-19) in our schools. Mark Scott, Secretary of the Department of Education, today announced that schools would adopt social distancing measures requiring them to cancel assemblies, excursions, travel, some events and conferences.

Alexandria Park Community School will implement a range of strategies to reduce transmission, including:

The promotion of personal hygiene measures (handwashing, reducing face contact, cough etiquette). An SLSO will be checking the toilets every hour to make sure there is hand soap and paper towels readily accessible. All students returning from the toilets during class times will wash their hands. Students will also wash their hands when returning from breaks. We have placed posters in all toilets and classrooms in relation to washing hands and coughing etiquette and we are using the DEC resources to explicitly teach lessons.

All school assemblies have been cancelled. Interschool sport events such as Year 7 gala day and regional swimming carnival have also been cancelled.

Harmony Day – Assembly has been cancelled. Teachers will run rotational activities in their classrooms and students are encouraged to wear cultural or orange clothes.

Students are reminded to travel directly from home to school and school to home.

We remind all families to stay at home if you are unwell and schools will send home staff or students who show signs of being unwell through the day. More information can be found on our school website: <https://alexparkcs-c.schools.nsw.gov.au/>.

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