## Dear parents and carers

The staff at Fairfield West PS hope you and your children have been able to enjoy this holiday break.

As the media have informed, the first week of school is 'Learning from Home'. Please see the advice we have received from the Department of Education.

## For Schools in Greater Sydney

For the first week of Term 3, students in Greater Sydney - that is, LGAs currently affected by NSW Health stay at home orders will be learning from home which, includes the Fairfield area. Learning from home will stay in place until 16 July 2021.

Schools will remain open for the students and families who need it, although parents are encouraged to keep their children at home.

There will be minimal staff supervision and school will provide one unit of work for students, whether they are learning from home or in the classroom.

Any student or staff member with any symptoms, or who is feeling unwell, should not attend school and should take a COVID test immediately. Anyone who has been off sick from school will be required to return a negative test result before being permitted to return to school. Students and staff who have visited any venue of concern identified by NSW Health should follow NSW Health advice.

I will continue to provide updates and all families can expect another update in week 1 next term. Information will be made available via; school website, a link sent to your email address (that you have provided to the school), SkoolBag app and SMS.

'Learning from Home' information and work will be provided via; school website, a link sent to your email address (that you have provided to the school), SkoolBag app or Google classrooms. The units of work will be uploaded Monday morning.

Every family will be contacted by phone on Monday 12 July by a member of staff between 11am - 2pm to discuss home learning with you, including how to access units of work if you are having issues. A majority of calls will be made from private phone numbers so please answer your phone.

The Canteen and Uniform store will not be operating next week.

To assist us with our planning regarding the number of staff we will require on site to provide **minimal supervision** please email **fairfieldw-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au**, and let us know if you **NEED** to send your child to school next week. **Please remember that only children of essential workers should be attending school.** Monday 12 July is still a pupil free day.

Thank you for your ongoing understanding and assistance supporting us to keep our students, staff and broader community safe.

Stay safe. Genelle Goldfinch 8 July 2021

