Fairfield West Public School

In response to the recent cases of COVID-19 the following measures to minimise the risk of COVID-19 transmission in school communities has been set down by, Dr Kerry Chant, Chief Health Officer NSW Ministry of Health along with the Department of Education, effective as of Wednesday 19 August 2020.

NSW Health and the Department of Education requires schools to:
- arrange for students and staff with even mild symptoms of COVID-19 to be sent home
- encourage immediate testing for any symptomatic child (ren) or staff
- prohibit return to school for anyone with symptoms of COVID-19 until a negative COVID test result has been reported
- ensure that adults maintain physical distancing at all times
- ensure good hand hygiene at all times (eg. upon entry to the school, entry to the classroom and upon exit of the classroom)

What that means for families/students at Fairfield West Public School:

1. if your child/ren show even mild symptoms of COVID-19 they need to stay home **and go to the Doctor or get a COVID-19 test**
2. the child/ren will return to school only if they have a Dr Certificate stating they are well or a NEGATIVE COVID-19 Test Result
3. either a Dr's Certificate or a COVID-19 Test Result must be produced to the school prior to the return of the child
4. if your child shows even mild symptoms of COVID-19 they will be sent home from school and steps 2 and 3 must be carried out.

The Doctors Certificate or COVID-19 Test Results may be sent to the school in the following ways:

a) Text – contact the school on 9604 5568 for details of number
b) Email the school at fairfieldw-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au
c) Provide a hard copy to the school
d) Present on phone at front gate prior to entry

Thank you for your continued support in keeping the Fairfield West PS learning community safe. If you would like to discuss this matter further you may contact the school on 96045568.

Ms G. Goldfinch
Principal
20.8.20