

Dear Parents,

We are looking forward to welcoming back all of our families for 2021.

I have been advised by the Department of Education of WA that there is *no advice* from the Health Department that prevents parents being on school grounds.

However, the school has a responsibility to implement COVID safe practices. This will ensure the continued safety of all members of our school community.

1. There is nothing that prevents parents being on the school site.
2. To ensure we meet our responsibilities to being COVID safe we welcome *one parent per family* into the classrooms for the morning 'drop off'. We appreciate that this will be most important for the youngest students at our school. Having only *one parent per child* in the classroom, during the 'drop off', enables the school to satisfy the *2 square metre rule* for indoor activities.
3. For activities on the school grounds and outside of classrooms and other rooms we ask all parents to observe the 1.5 metre distancing practices that are recommended for the broader community.

I am sure that we all welcome the above advice and we are looking forward to seeing all of our families back at Wickham PS on the 1st February 2021.

All of the staff are working to ensure that the students have the best possible start to their school year.

As a parent, teacher and principal, it has been my experience that positive discussion by mums and dads with their child, regarding the start of school year, contributes greatly towards creating a strong and positive outlook for the school year. We thank you for your support.

If you would like any further clarification, please contact a member of our friendly school administration at your convenience.

Regards,

Lincoln Day

Principal

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