



**Gawler & District  
College B-12**

# Junior School

## NEWSLETTER

TERM 2, WEEK 1

JANUARY 2020



*"Education is a shared  
commitment between  
dedicated teachers,  
motivated students &  
enthusiastic parents  
with high expectations."  
Bob Beauprez*

## A Message from Julie

I hope you've all enjoyed the school holiday break, spending safe and relaxing time together at home. I would like to thank the school community for their support during this very challenging time. We have been extremely grateful for the support we have received from our Junior School community, especially your patience, flexibility and understanding in these uncharted times as we have worked through the impact of Corona Virus - **THANK YOU!!** Given the continuing and evolving situation regarding the COVID-19, I would like to advise you that we will continue to implement precautionary measures including parents / carers morning dropping off and end of day pick up at the main front gate. This is primarily to support current social distancing expectations for adults and assisting us to minimize risk to staff and students.

In Week 11 Term 1 staffed worked diligently on creating online learning for students. In addition to this, paper learning packs were compiled and are available for home learning. We all agree though that the best learning option is face to face, at school every day. These are complex times. We are all trying to navigate through these times the best we can while keeping student learning at the centre of our thinking. We look forward to your support as we learn new technology and ways of teaching students both on site and learning from home. Please find our Gawler and District College B-12 Facebook page and 'Like' it to stay up-to-date. We will maintain the use of class Dojo/Seesaw and our website to communicate, but as Facebook is instant, we will use the page to update every one of any changes. Please ensure that we have your current details so that we can keep you informed.

Thank you to our teachers and SSOs who are doing an amazing job maintaining routine and education for our students and to the community for your ongoing support and understanding.

### CLASS COMMUNICATION

Class Dojo or Seesaw will be our teachers' main form of contact with families during this unsettling time. Please ensure you have Dojo/Seesaw on one of your devices so you are continually updated with changes that are occurring. We have the ability to upload files to all families on these classroom platforms, giving us the opportunity to remain in contact and keep you informed.

### ATTENDANCE

From the beginning of term 2, all schools are required to report on Student attendance daily. Please remember to contact the school or your child's classroom teacher if your child is going to be absent. Students who are unwell must remain at home. Parents or carers of children at school who are unwell will be contacted and asked to collect them as soon as possible.

**IF YOUR CHILD IS UNWELL THEY SHOULD REMAIN AT HOME UNTIL THEY ARE WELL AND SYMPTOM FREE**

*Thank you for support. Please look after each other and stay safe and healthy.*

*Kind Regards,*

*Julie Stockdale- Head of Junior School*

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## DIARY DATES.....

### TERM 2 EVENTS CALENDAR

Our Term 2 Calendar of important dates and events is attached- for you to display at home. At this stage many of our planned events have been postponed or cancelled.

**MOTHER'S DAY STALL-CANCELLED  
NAPLAN- CANCELLED  
SCHOOL PHOTOS- MOVED TERM 3  
BIGGEST AFTERNOON TEA  
BOOK FAIR  
VIP DAY  
DECORATE YOUR DONUT  
DISCO**

*If there are any changes we will notify you ASAP.*

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