



Advice for Calrossy Community re COVID-19 (Novel Coronavirus)

Calrossy Anglican School is committed to protecting the health and wellbeing of all our community members and responding carefully to the respiratory illness outbreak caused by COVID-19.

Updates of information will continue to be provided for the Calrossy Community – via Newsletter, The Hub, email and School Website. Please note that directions given by the School may be modified or changed as we are advised.

At present the Government and Department of Health advice is that schools are permitted to continue to operate. Given this situation, we are asking that all community members please comply with the following.

Students and Teachers cannot attend any Calrossy Anglican School site if they:

- are showing symptoms of a fever or heavy cold
- have been in close contact with a confirmed case of COVID-19 in the past 14 days.

Teachers and students impacted by any of the above may return to Calrossy School after 14 days isolation and not presenting any symptoms of the virus. We ask that parents and teachers monitor for symptoms and NSW Health recommends practising social distancing – avoid crowds and small gatherings in enclosed spaces, keep a minimum of 1.5 m in public.

Students should also avoid contact with the following categories of people, who are now required to self-isolate by the Australian Government for 14 days:

- Have arrived into Australia from Monday 16 March
- Have travelled through mainland China within the last 14 days
- Have left or travelled through Iran on or after Sunday 1 March 2020
- Left or travelled through the Republic of Korea on or after 5 March 2020
- Additionally travellers through Cambodia, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Italy, Japan, Thailand and Singapore are considered to be at risk of exposure to COVID-19. At this stage self-isolation is currently not required.

Calrossy Anglican School strongly insists that all students and staff remain at home if they are unwell.

Additionally, we require all adults, including parents and carers, to avoid school events and activities in the foreseeable future. Children should only be collected from 'Kiss and Drop' zones or Reception.

Preventative Measures

To minimise the risk of infection we request that all persons at any school campus to adopt the following practices:

- Regularly clean hands with soap or alcohol-based rubs
- Cover nose with a flexed elbow or tissue when coughing or sneezing
- Avoid contact with anyone who has a fever, cough, sore throat or laboured breathing.
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In response to information provided from Australian Government Department of Health, a plan has been formulated to respond to suspected and/or confirmed cases of COVID-19 within the school community. The Management Plan will be co-ordinated through the School's Critical Incident Management Team (CIMT).

Key areas for consideration within the plan include actively working toward maintaining student and staff wellbeing while minimising the impact of the virus on the school community by:

- Identifying CIMT
- Inform our community: communication strategy
- Minimise risk of transmission within our community through preventative measures
- Incident response protocols – isolation, involvement of and reporting to outside agencies.
- Management protocols for staff when dealing with community members presenting with symptoms of COVID-19
- Specific response and isolation protocols for boarding house.
- Provision for support of staff and continuation of services
- Continuity of education for isolated community members
- School closure protocols

If you have any queries, please contact the Health Centre nurse on duty Ph: 02 5776 5190