

**Achievement**

Promoting excellence in education

**Resilience**

Creating problem solvers ready to accept challenges



**Community**

Building responsible citizens

**Respect**

Developing tolerant, considerate individuals

**This week's value in focus is:**

**Problem Solving**

Using strategies to find solutions

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**Calendar**

**Term 2 2020**

**May**

15 <sup>th</sup> – 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Remote learning continuing for all students
21 <sup>st</sup>	MEC – 2021 - Year 7 Information Presentation
25 <sup>th</sup>	Curriculum Day – no remote learning
26 <sup>th</sup>	Students in years Prep, 1, 2 & 3 return to school
26 <sup>th</sup> – 29 <sup>th</sup>	Remote learning continues for students in years 4 – 6

**June**

1 <sup>st</sup> – 5 <sup>th</sup>	Remote learning continues for students in years 4 – 6
8 <sup>th</sup>	Queen's Birthday Public Holiday – no school/remote learning
9 <sup>th</sup>	Students in years 4 – 6 return to school
26 <sup>th</sup>	Last Day Term 2 early dismissal 2.30pm

**Around school this week**

**RETURN TO SCHOOL**

P/1 and Yr 2/3 classes will resume on site from Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> May.

Yr 4/5 and Yr 5/6 classes will resume on site from Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> June.

We are extremely excited to have a return to school date. The teachers have missed their students over this period of remote learning and can't wait to have them back in their classrooms. Please see the attached letter for full details on returning to school. The only localised change is we have been given the authority to invite our year 3 students to return on May 16<sup>th</sup> also as they are in a year 2/3 combined class. Next week I will publish a full list of conditions and logistical arrangements for the return to school. This will include things like parents not getting out of cars at drop off and pick up. No parents on site unless you need to access the office and your enquiry can't be done over the phone. All students MUST have THEIR OWN DRINK BOTTLE. Drink taps will not be available. More details to come next week.

**YEAR 3/4 CAMP**

Year 3/4 camp has been rescheduled for 9<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> December.

**EASING OF RESTRICTIONS**

We have included a Q&A section to answer some questions around the easing of restrictions. This isn't the time to be returning to 'normal' life however. Please ensure if you can stay at home, you are at home. Practice social distancing when out and regularly clean your hands.

**#weareinthistgether**  
**#dunollykidsaregreatkids**  
**#dunollyparentsareawesome**

We are a child safe school; committed to the safety and wellbeing of all children and young people. We have zero tolerance of child abuse.

<https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/health/protect/Pages/default.aspx>

We have policies and processes in place to protect the care, safety and welfare of children



## Student School Banking

Student School Banking can be taken directly to the bank on any day.

## SCHOOL PHOTO DAY

### Rescheduled to

**Wednesday October 28<sup>th</sup>**

**Please ensure you keep the envelope that was sent home last term to use to order your child's photos.**

### Maryborough Education Centre – Year 7 Information Presentation

Last year we held an 'Open Classroom Night' in early June for prospective year 7 students and their parents. The evening started with a short presentation and was followed by families rotating through different activities from the various learning areas. This night provided families with the chance to get to know more about the school and the life of a Year 7 student. We are unable to run the night this term, instead we are developing a presentation that will convey the information. The presentation will be available on the MEC intranet page

[\(http://intranet.maryborougheducationcentre.vic.edu.au/\)](http://intranet.maryborougheducationcentre.vic.edu.au/).

**It will be released on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May at 4:00pm.**

There will be an accompanying form that families can fill out if they want a call back/email with additional information.

### BOOK CHANGE OVER & BORROWING SCHEDULE

On your allocated day you can come to school to change over reader books and/or library books. Please observe social distancing during your time on site. Hand sanitiser needs to be used on arrival.

If you or your children are unwell please phone the school to arrange another day that week.

You can attend the school anytime between **9am and 11am** on these days.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Freemantle	Condie	Moyses	Scott	Martin
Schodde	Lee	Thursby	C J Soulsby	Davies
Lovel	Antolini	Columbine	Willoughby/Mitchell	Liddicoat
P Smith	Booker/Conway	Fitt Gloury	Scholes	Hoban
Lawton	Malcolm	Quince	Kurzke	Gray
Raven	Eddy	Baxter	Frizzell	Lavery
Holliday	Carrington	Crumpton	Degen	Skilling
Lay	Jeanes	Johnson	Dukker	
W J N Soulsby	McArdle	Polinelli	A.Smith	
W Smith	Nguyen	Osborne	Pilbeam	
Payne	Parker	Thomson	Carless	
			Hallworth	

# Q&As

What you need to know about restrictions easing

## DUNOLLY PRIMARY SCHOOL

- All schools will have a Curriculum Day on Monday May 25<sup>th</sup> -
- **P/1/2/3** students will be returning on Tuesday May 26<sup>th</sup>
- **Yr 4 - 6** students will be returning on Tuesday June 9<sup>th</sup>

### Can I have visitors in my home? And do babies and kids count?

**Yes.**

You can have up to five visitors to your home at any one time, in addition to those who normally live there. Children are counted in the total person limit.

Victorians are being asked to use common sense when it comes to visiting friends and family, especially those who are more vulnerable. That means seeing those you need to – if you need to.

### We're having a BBQ in our backyard. What rule applies – the 5 or the 10?

Under the new directions, you can have up to five visitors to your home, in addition to those who normally reside in the household.

Your home includes indoor and outside areas of the house.

### Can I go to the park?

**Yes.**

You can relax at the park, have a picnic or play non-contact sports. Keep at least 1.5m between yourself and anyone from outside your household at all times.

You can meet up with friends and family outdoors but only in groups of up to 10 people. Playgrounds, outdoor gyms and skate parks all remain closed.

And please don't drink from public drinking fountains or use public BBQs.

### What about places of worship?

All places of worship, of all denominations, can now open for pre-arranged worship or small religious ceremonies of up to 10 people – plus the minimum number of people reasonably required to conduct the service.

### Can I drive a bit further to go exercise? Can I go to a national park?

**Yes, you can drive to another location to exercise.**

Under the new directions, parks may reopen for hiking and other recreational activities, but you cannot gather in groups of more than 10 people at any one time.

Camping is still prohibited.

### Can my local footy team start training?

You can participate in training for all sports, but it must be non-contact, with only 10 people taking part any one time – plus the coach or manager.

This means that contact sports such as all codes of footy and soccer can't happen, unless modifications are made to ensure physical distancing.

Indoor sports remain prohibited.

# Q&As

What you need to know about restrictions easing

## Can I go for a drive? And can I take a learner driver out to practice?

**Yes.**

You are able to go for a drive. Driving for practice is also permitted, as well as attending driving lessons.

At the same time, Victorians are being asked to use consideration and common sense when it comes to travelling. If you can stay home, you must stay home.

## Can I visit a cemetery outside of attending a funeral?

**Yes.**

If you visit the grave of a loved one at the cemetery, please ensure that no more than 10 people (including you) are gathered.

Physical distance has to be maintained by staying at least 1.5m apart.

## I'm caring for an elderly loved one who lives alone. Can I visit them?

**Yes – but take extra care.**

Older people are especially vulnerable to coronavirus.

If you're delivering meals, think about leaving a package on their doorstep without making physical contact. If you're helping with chores, think about having them sit somewhere comfortable away from you while you work, so you are not in close contact.

## Can I go fishing? What about boating?

Under the new directions, fishing, hunting and recreational boating are all allowed in groups of no more than 10 people.

You must ensure 1.5m can be maintained between yourself and others – including at the boat ramp and on your boat.

As always though, Victorians are being asked to use common sense when it comes their activities.

You must also ensure that you can drive there and back within one day.

## What if I'm escaping family violence?

If you or your children are at risk of harm from family violence, you can leave your home to seek support and assistance.

Family violence frontline services, including crisis accommodation, continue to operate to support women, children and families during this pandemic.

Call Safe Steps on 1800 015 188 for help 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

## Can my housemates and I each have five people over at the same time?

**No.**

You can have a maximum of five visitors to your home, in addition to those who normally reside in the household.

If you're visiting someone's home you should keep at least 1.5m between yourself and others, and practise good hygiene.



Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for all your support during these past few weeks of remote and flexible learning. We know it has been a challenge, but we have aimed to support you in the best ways we can.

Following advice from the Chief Health Officer, the Victorian Government has advised that schools can begin a phased return to on-site schooling.

In the **first stage**, students in Prep, Grade 1 and Grade 2, senior secondary (Year 11 and 12 VCAL and VCE) students and all students in specialist schools will return to school from Tuesday 26 May.

To support all school staff to prepare for this transition, Monday 25 May will be a pupil-free day.

In the **second stage** of our return to on-site schooling, all other year levels will return to school from Tuesday 9 June.

For those students who cannot be supervised at home and vulnerable children, the existing model of on-site schooling will remain in place during the two-week period from Tuesday 26 May to Tuesday 9 June. The current process that we are using to enable parents and carers to indicate the days or part-days for which on-site schooling is required will continue for this two-week period.

All other students in these grades and year levels will continue learning from home until Tuesday 9 June.

Once a year level has returned, all students will be expected to attend school as normal. This means if you choose to keep your child/children home after their year level has returned to on-site schooling, we can no longer support their learning from home.

This does not apply to children who need to be absent for health or medical reasons. For those families, please contact us so we can make an appropriate plan.

This same approach is being taken by all government schools in Victoria.

To support the health and wellbeing of all our students and staff, our school will continue an enhanced cleaning routine and will encourage frequent hand washing.

If your child is ill or is feeling unwell, they must not attend school. They must remain home and seek medical advice. Any child/ren at school displaying symptoms of being unwell will be sent home immediately.

While the Chief Health Officer has advised that students will not be required to maintain physical distancing at school, there will be a number of important changes to our school operations, consistent with health advice to all schools that will be available as soon as possible. . This will apply until further notice. I will provide more detail about our local school context as soon as possible, but it is important to note that changes will include:

- adjusted arrangements for drop off and pick up, including possible staggered finish times;
- restrictions on access to the school site for anyone other than immediate school staff and students;
- students **MUST HAVE** their own drink bottles; bubble taps **WILL NOT** be available for use;
- the way we conduct parent-teacher meetings and interviews.

We understand that some families may feel anxious about this move back to classroom teaching and learning. I can assure you that this decision has been taken on the basis of the best health advice available to our state.

More information about the return to school and coronavirus (COVID-19) can be found on the Department's website, which will continue to be updated:

<https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/department/Pages/coronavirus.aspx>

Thank you for your continued support and patience during this time. We look forward to welcoming our students back to the classroom.

Yours sincerely,



Katie Lovel  
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