

WESTPORT PUBLIC SCHOOL



30 August 2021

EXCELLENCE IN A CARING ENVIRONMENT

Extension to stay-at-home rules for regional NSW and Learning from Home packs

As you will be aware, the NSW Premier announced that stay-at-home rules are extended for regional NSW (including Central Coast and Shellharbour) until at least 11:59 pm 10 September. This replaces any existing orders in regional NSW.

Parents and carers must keep children at home unless they need to be at school. Schools (including outside of school hours care) are open for any child that needs it.

Schools in regional NSW will continue learning from home and operating under level 4 guidelines.

Our hard copy learning from home packs for all classes K-6 can be collected between 9.30 – 11am and 2-4pm on Monday 30th August at the front gate. At this stage the lockdown is only for two weeks (week 8 and week 9) however we wanted parents to have three weeks of learning in case the lockdown is extended further. More information will come about week 10 when advised by the Government.

Please adhere to social distancing regulations when collecting your packs and masks are mandatory.

We appreciate your ongoing support to keep our community safe.

Tony Johnston
Principal

Upcoming Events for Term 2

Monday 30 August	Home Packs Available for Pick Up 9:30am — 11:00am 2:00pm — 4:00pm
Friday 17 September	Last day Term 3

P & C Notices

It is time to order your prizes. Every student who has raised \$10 or more can choose a prize! Pick a prize from your highest category, or mix and match smaller prizes. Prizes can be ordered online via your myprofileage.com.au or with your sponsorship booklet. If you get stuck, your sponsorship booklet contains everything you need to know.

Cash sponsorship money for the School's Run for Fun Colour Explosion can be left at the school this afternoon when picking up work packs from 2-4 pm (Monday 30 August). Please ensure the money is in a sealed envelope with the student's name and amount written clearly on it and give it to the school staff handing out the work packs. If you have already collected your work pack - you can bring the sponsorship money to school during hours - come to the gate - ring the office and staff will come to the gate to collect it from you. Please observe current Covid restrictions re: no parents/visitors onsite, mask wearing and social distancing. We appreciate your support and apologise for any inconvenience as a result of current restrictions.

We will advise of the date of the fun run when we are able.

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Community News

We Learn Grant

Variety's We Learn Grant is now open for applications. The Variety We Learn Grant helps families living with financial hardship to purchase educational technology and supplies.

A computer and internet access at home is an essential part of school life (especially when school and home collide – hello, lockdown!). Not to mention all the extra exercise books, paper, pens and colouring pencils that are now taking up residence on those dining tables being used as school desks!

Of course, we know not every child is fortunate enough to have all of these resources. And without them, kids are faced not only with significant academic challenges but also with issues such as social isolation that can prevent them from reaching their full potential. Unfortunately, these challenges and risks are often increased in remote and rural areas where kids may not have access to everything they need for online learning.

The Variety We Learn Grant is here to help bridge the gap.

Open to families with children aged 4 – 18 throughout NSW and the ACT, We Learn comprises two grants – Educational Technology and Educational Supplies.

Applications for the We Learn Grant are open from Monday 26 July 2021 and closes at 5pm AEST Friday 3 September 2021 without exception.

<https://www.variety.org.au/nsw/we-learn-grant/>