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IMPORTANT UPDATE - COVID PROTOCOL

Dear Parents and Carers.

Please be reminded that students must not attend school if unwell, even with the mildest symptoms of COVID-19. Any student that presents at school with any COVID-19 symptoms will be sent home and can not return to school until:

- they have a negative COVID-19 test result which is shared with the school office via email and are symptom free or
- they have isolated for 10 school days, when no medical certificate is available.

In circumstances where a student has other medical reasons for recurrent symptoms, a letter from their GP is sufficient to negate the requirement for a negative test.

We have had numerous students return to school this week without these results. They have been required to isolate at the office and will be sent home. This can be upsetting for the students.

I understand the testing can be disruptive and invasive but this is a Department of Education requirement for keeping our entire school community safe. There have been a number of schools deemed non-operational due to positive cases and we are doing everything we can to avoid this at Narrabeen Lakes.

Please make sure you have these conversations with your child(ren) so they are aware that they will need to be tested if they present with a symptom. These symptoms include:

Most Common

- fever
- cough

- tiredness
- loss of taste or smell

Less common symptoms:

- sore throat
- headache
- aches and pains
- diarrhoea
- a rash on skin, or discolouration of fingers or toes
- red or irritated eyes

Warm Regards,

Rob Zappia Principal Narrabeen Lakes Public School

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