



Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> March 2020

## Upcoming School Events **POSTPONED/CANCELLED**

Dear Parents/Carers,

In the wake of the most recent advice from the Secretary of the Department of Education and most recent COVID-19 updates, Bungendore Public School has made the decision to cancel some events that are scheduled for the upcoming weeks. NSW Public schools have been instructed to practice Social Distancing.

A phased social distancing strategy will be implemented from today, Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2020, to support ongoing school and corporate operations. In the first phase of its social distancing strategy, the department will take a number of practical measures to support wider NSW Health containment strategies. Support resources will come out shortly to assist schools and workplaces with implementation.

### **School assemblies**

From Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2020, we are asking schools to look at alternative ways to communicate with students and parents other than through school assemblies.

### **School excursions**

All school excursions outside of your school's local community should be cancelled until further notice.

### **Activities and events**

All major Arts, Sports and Initiative activities and events will temporarily be ceased until further notice. This includes whole school sporting events and inter-school events involving three or more schools.

Local inter-school sport and other activities can proceed, but we ask organisers to ensure that as best as possible, reasonable precautions are taken.

As disappointing as this is, the health of our students, staff and community is most important. Thank-you to everyone for your understanding.

### **Upcoming Cancelled School Events**

<b><u>Event</u></b>	<b><u>Scheduled Date</u></b>
Library Activities at lunchtime (including Chess Club)	CLOSED
Harry Laing Author Performance	Date Postponed
Debating Workshops	Wednesday, 18 <sup>th</sup> March
All Assemblies this Term, inc Scripture Easter Assembly	Weeks 8, 10 & 11
Harmony Day Activities	Thursday, 19 <sup>th</sup> March
Year 2 Excursion – Blundell's House	Friday, 20 <sup>th</sup> March – Postponed
PSSA Netball at Yass	Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> March
Year 1 Excursion – Lanyon House	Thursday, 2 <sup>nd</sup> April – Postponed
Rotary Public Speaking	Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> April;
Easter Hat Parade will be modified for individual classes only	Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> April

At this stage we expect Dance, Choir, Stage Sport, Environmentors visit for Years 3 and 4 on the 26<sup>th</sup> and our Cross Country Carnival on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April to go ahead at school.

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