



WEST LEEDERVILLE
PRIMARY

Dear Parents and Carers,

To ensure the safety of our school community, I wish to assure you that West Leederville Primary School is continuing to monitor the Coronavirus (CONVID-19) situation and acting on the latest advice from the WA Department of Health, as the lead agency in Western Australia.

While current advice suggests the risk in Western Australia remains low, our precautionary measures need to reflect a vigilant approach to any potential for increased risk to our school community.

We require students who have travelled or are travelling to mainland China, Hong Kong or Iran to be isolated for a period of 14 days on their return. This is important to note should you have plans to travel to these destinations in the Term One holidays. Given the changing situation, all families should carefully consider their need to travel overseas at this time.

It is also important to consider the implications of household members who may travel. If a member of your family travels overseas and develops symptoms within 14 days of returning to Australia, we request that your child be isolated from school until they have seen a doctor.

You would be aware that certain countries carry a greater risk of contracting COVID-19. Please refer to the Smart Traveller website <https://www.smartraveller.gov.au/> for up-to-date travel advice. For the latest health information and health related enquiries, refer to the [Department of Health](#) or access the helpline 1800 020 080.

At school, we will highlight the importance of good hygiene, based on The World Health Organisation's recommendations:

- Regularly and thoroughly clean your hands with soap and water or an alcohol-based hand rub.
- Maintain at least one metre distance between yourself and anyone who is coughing or sneezing.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth as this increases the risk of transferring a virus from your hands.
- Make sure you follow good respiratory hygiene. This means covering your mouth and nose with your bent elbow or tissue when you cough or sneeze. Then dispose of the used tissue immediately.
- Stay home if you feel unwell. If you have a fever, cough and difficulty breathing, seek medical attention and call in advance. Follow the directions of your health authority.

I acknowledge it is a time of uncertainty and would like to thank all of you for your support. As a school we want to ensure the safety and well-being of all members of our community. We will continue to act according to the best advice and will continue to communicate as the situation evolves.

Warm regards

Fiona Kelly