



WEST LEEDERVILLE  
PRIMARY

Dear Parents,

As the debate over school closures continues, it is you as parents and us as teachers, who try to go about 'business as usual' in an environment that could not be further from normal if we tried.

Whilst a public school principal does not decide whether or not their school closes, they can help to empower their community to be able to make choices. I hope this information can help you make a decision that suits your family at this point in time.

We have a very clear directive that schools are to remain open for the time being, whilst at the same time ensuring teachers' workloads do not become unmanageable. As our teachers plan a regular days learning program and manage their own family situations, they are also preparing resources and activities for the possibility of a different mode of educational delivery in the near future.

If your personal circumstances allow you to supervise your children at home, and you choose to make this decision prior to a directive from the government, we respect your right to make this choice. The following resources will support you with home learning from the time-being. The following webpage was launched today by the Western Australian Department of Education to support our families:

<https://www.education.wa.edu.au/learning-at-home>

This is a new resource, linked to our curriculum and already has a wide range of amazing resources. It is a work in progress that is being added to daily.

In addition, students at West Leederville Primary School can access Mathspace (Years 3-6), Typing tournament, Reading Eggs and the schools e-Library. Additional on-line resources are currently being reviewed and we will communicate these to you in due course.

There is no requirement for teachers to provide additional work/lessons for students who remain at home, at this time. Please resist the urge to contact teachers by email requesting additional work, or presenting in person at the beginning and end of the day. This is very stressful for our teachers who are already working under difficult circumstances.

CONNECT – please ensure your child can log in at home but DO NOT complete activities uploaded. You will receive direction from your class teachers regarding which activity to do if there is a full school closure.

We appreciate there are many families at this time who are not in a position to keep their children home, or are choosing for their children to attend school. This is absolutely an individual choice to be made, school is 'open' and will continue to be until we are advised otherwise. Learning programs will continue at school, although somewhat modified, due to high absentee rates.

Can I please request that parent visits onto the school site are kept to a minimum. Wherever possible say goodbye at the gate. For the time being please do not enter the Heritage or Upper primary buildings, or any of the classrooms in the ECE building.

Thank you for all of your support at this difficult time. We have received some amazing messages of support from members of the community and they are truly appreciated. Let's keep working together and keeping each other strong.

Kind regards,

Fiona Kelly  
Principal