



WEST NEWS

Friday 17th September 2021 | Week 10 Term 3

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Dubbo West Community,

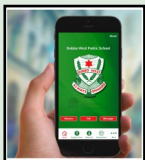
It is hard to believe that yet another term has come and gone. This term has been difficult for many in our community as they have battled the difficulties of learning and working from home and the impact of COVID-19 on our friends and families. I know that many people have questions too about what next term will look like. I wish I had a crystal ball and could tell you the answers, but unfortunately, I don't. At West, we will continue to follow the public health orders but also know that we are ready to return as soon as we are able – whether that be all together or as year groups in a graduated return. As soon as I know what we can do, I will let you know so please keep an eye on the app as this is the quickest method of getting information out.

I would also like to thank the families who have sent their thanks, congratulations and hilarious descriptions of pandemonium as their children have engaged in various activities, whether they be zoom, teams or activities from the learning from home packs. Please keep the photos coming in through the app. We really enjoy seeing our cherubs smiling faces and we enjoy keeping in touch with what they've been doing. I particularly loved the photos of some of our Year 1 and 2 students carrying their 'flattened teachers' around with them. Believe me, that is a very painful process and I just hope that we are able to get them all back to 'normal' when we return. Teachers are already preparing packs for learning from home which will be posted on Tuesday October 5th which just happens to be World Teacher's Day. The packs will also be available on our website.

Enjoy the school holidays and stay safe. And now for the flattened picture of me!




Regards,

Eileen Day
Principal

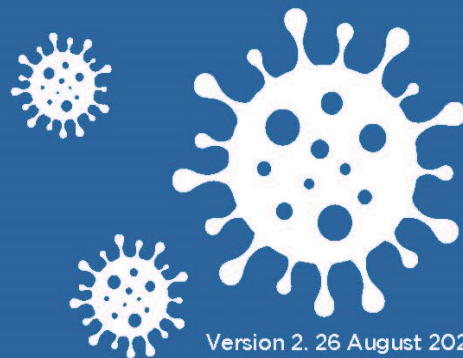


IMPORTANT

Please keep an eye on our school app for regular updates and information.

Dubbo Histopath Pathology Drive-through Clinic	Dubbo Showground Corner of Fitzroy and Wingewarra Street, Dubbo, NSW, 2830	8am-4pm 7 days.	No booking required. For further information, please refer to Histopath Diagnostic Specialists . If you were tested at this clinic and have not received your results after 48 hours, please call (02) 9878 8111.
 			
Dubbo Manera Plaza Walk-in Clinic	Manera Plaza 77 Myall Street, Dubbo, NSW, 2830	8am-4.30pm 7 days.	No booking required.
Dubbo Respiratory Clinic	Dubbo Medical and Allied Health Group 183 Brisbane Street, Dubbo, NSW, 2830 Please call the Nurse on 02 6815 9900 when you arrive at the clinic and remain in your vehicle until called upon for your appointment.	8am-5pm Monday to Friday.	Book online.
Dubbo Showground Pop-up Clinic	Dubbo Showground Corner Fitzroy and Wingewarra Street, Dubbo, NSW, 2830 Entry through Wingewarra Street	8am-4pm 7 days.	No booking required.
			

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If you have cold or flu like symptoms
get a **FREE** test



Get vaccinated
when and if you can



You must wear a mask

Masks must be worn every time you leave your home, indoors and outdoors.

You do not have to wear a mask if you are exercising outdoors.



Be kind to yourself and others

we are all affected by the current situation in one way or another.



Stay at home orders are in place

ONLY LEAVE HOME:

- to obtain food or other essential goods
- for work if you cannot reasonably work from home
- exercise - stay within 5km of your home
- medical or caring reasons including getting COVID-19 vaccination

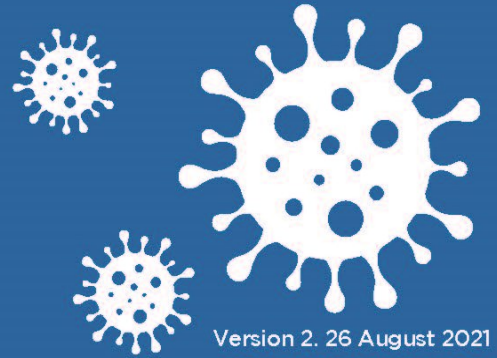


Socially distance
yourself as much as possible



Up to \$5,000 fine
for breaching the public health order

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COVID-19 testing:

To find out where to get tested, visit: nsw.gov.au/covid-19/health-and-wellbeing/clinics

Drive through testing is available at:

Dubbo Showground – access off Wingewarra St

Wellington Civic Centre, Swift St Wellington
10am - 4pm daily.

If you've been waiting for your result for more than 72 hours call the relevant pathology provider:

Western NSW Health – 1300 066 055

Laverty – No results after 48-72 hours call 13 39 36

Histopath – No results after 24 hours call 9878 8173

PLEASE BE PATIENT AS THESE NUMBERS ARE CURRENTLY RECEIVING HIGH VOLUMES OF CALLS.

COVID-19 vaccination clinics:

For the most up to date information about vaccination clinics, visit: nswlhd.health.nsw.gov.au/covid-19-information/covid-19-vaccination or phone

Health Direct: 1800 022 222

Dubbo Showground Entry Chelmsford St, Dubbo

Booking required Health Direct: 1800 022 222

Wellington Aboriginal Corporation Health Service

30 Thornton St, Community Health Carpark.

Booking required 6845 5423.

I am a positive or close contact and NSW Health directed me to isolate. I have no way of getting food or essential items.

NSW Health can help, call the contract tracing line: 1800 943 553

I am staying at home, and need help

Uniting Family Connect and Support: 1300 339 016

Essential food and other items delivered contact-free or pick up from 1/80 Gipps Street Dubbo.

Live Better Transport: 1800 580 580

Mon – Fri, 9am – 3pm. COVID safe transport to access vaccination, testing, collection of essential groceries.

Emmanuel Care Centre: 6882 6755

Provides emergency relief in the form of food parcels and EAPA vouchers to assist with utility expenses for individuals and families experiencing disadvantage.

St Vincent de Paul Society NSW: 6882 6972

9.30 – 11.30am, Monday – Thursday

Emergency relief is available for individuals and families experiencing disadvantage. Aid includes food parcels. Referral to appropriate support services is also provided. This service is temporarily limited with varied conditions and social distancing measures in place.

What other services are there available to me at home?

Australian Unity Home care services: 1300 295 749

Dubbo Area Nursing Service: 6885 6407

Live Better Community Transport: 6882 7711

Wellington Multi Service Centre: 6845 3474

Meals and shopping.

Aged Care Access Centre: 1800 94 24 33

Who can I call if someone is not following the rules?

Local police can be contacted via Crime Stoppers:

1800 333 000 or [crimestoppers.com.au](https://www.crimestoppers.com.au)

Information is treated in strict confidence.

Who can I call in a crisis?

In the event of an emergency call 000.

Other agencies include:

Western NSW Local Health Community Mental Health Services

Dubbo: 6881 4000

Wellington: 6845 5500

NSW Mental Health Line: 1800 011 511

Beyond Blue Corona Virus Mental Wellbeing Support Service: 1800 512 348

Lifeline 24 hr crisis hotline: 131 114

Kids Helpline: 1800 551 800

Domestic Violence: 1800 737 732

Staying Home Leaving Violence Dubbo: 6883 1563

Interrelate Family Centre Dubbo: 6815 9650