

## IMPORTANT DATES 2022

### TERM 3

- July 29 Mufti - Red Resilience
- Aug 1 P&C Meeting ZOOM 1pm
- Aug 1 - August 5 **Education Week**
- Aug 2 Learning @MPS—Road Safety
- Aug 4 WSLA Education Week Awards Assembly at Morisset High 4pm
- Aug 11 Zone Athletics

**Information, Updates and Events**  
School Stream App,  
Facebook,  
and the School Website.

Contact the school via the school  
email address or by phoning  
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### Website:

[www.morisset-p.schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.morisset-p.schools.nsw.edu.au)

## TERM 3 - Week 1 July 22, 2022

### Athletics Carnival

No new date for Athletics Carnival - Wangi Oval currently deemed unsafe

### COVID-smart settings in Term 3

Many of our existing COVID-smart measures continue into Term 3, including:

- staying home if unwell, even if you have a negative RAT, until you are free of symptoms
- rapid antigen testing for symptomatic students and close contacts able to return to school
- strongly encouraging mask wearing, particularly for the first 4 weeks of term
- strongly encouraging all eligible students and their families to get vaccinated for COVID-19 and the flu
- maximising natural ventilation
- good hygiene practices
- strict requirements for close contacts attending school
- responding to local COVID-19 conditions

Some things are changing this term:

COVID-19 vaccination policy update – the mandate requiring COVID-19 vaccination will be lifted for staff in most school settings from August 1 2022. We will continue to encourage all staff, students and our school community to keep up to date with their vaccinations, including getting a booster shot when eligible.

### Learning at Morisset - Tuesday August 2

Parents and Carers are invited to come along and visit classrooms to participate in, and observe Road Safety and classroom activities. Please meet in the Library for a 9am start with Mrs Warham.

#### COVID safe requirements

- all visitors will be required to check-in with their phone using the QR code or sign a register
- close contacts will need to have a negative RAT, wear a mask and inform the school that they are a close contact

We look forward to seeing you on Tuesday August 2

### Staffing Update



Mr Muller is  
teaching 4/5K  
this term



Mr Dibley is  
completing his  
University  
Internship with  
3GL this term

Mrs Warham  
Principal

Western Shores  
Learning Alliance

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## EDUCATION WEEK AWARD ASSEMBLY

Performance from  
each WSLA School

**THURSDAY  
AUGUST 4, 2022**

**MORISSET HIGH  
SCHOOL HALL**

**4pm for  
4:30pm start**

Afternoon Tea served  
from 4pm

**All Welcome**

# COVID-smart measures for schools

Information for parents, carers and students



We know that being together in the classroom is the best thing for our students' learning, growth and welfare. This term we will continue to implement several measures to allow us to prioritise both the wellbeing of our students and a consistent and productive learning environment.



## Stay home if unwell

- If your child is unwell, you must keep them at home. If they are displaying even mild COVID-19 symptoms, they should take a COVID test (PCR or RAT) and isolate.
- Your child should only return to school once they have returned a negative test and they are symptom free.



## Vaccinations

- Vaccinations for COVID-19 and flu are the best way of protecting yourself, your family and the community. Vaccination is a safe and effective way to give your immune system a helping hand against viral illnesses.
- All eligible staff and students are strongly encouraged to keep up to date with their vaccinations to protect their health.



## Close contacts

- Students identified as close contacts can attend school providing the school is informed, they return a negative COVID-19 test result and wear a mask, except when eating/drinking or exercising (if in Year 7 and above) for 5 consecutive school days, and they do not attend high risk settings.
- Students in schools for specific purposes and support units cannot attend school as a close contact and will be supported to learn remotely during their self-isolation.



## Rapid antigen testing

- Rapid antigen tests (RATs) should be used if your child is displaying even mild COVID-19 symptoms, or daily if they are attending school as a close contact.
- If your child tests positive for COVID-19, they must not attend school until their isolation period finishes and they are symptom free. Positive rapid antigen test results must be registered with Service NSW.
- If your child tests negative but is still showing symptoms they should not attend school until symptom free.
- Staff and students will be provided with 1 multipack of 5 RAT kits by their school in early Term 3.
- Schools will maintain a reserve stock of rapid antigen tests onsite for surveillance testing purposes in the event of an outbreak.



## Hygiene and cleaning

- Students are encouraged to regularly wash their hands with soap and water, and to use personal protective equipment as required.
- Boosted day cleaning of schools will focus on high-touch areas and other hard surfaces, door handles, lockers, light switches and handrails in stairways and movement areas.





### Ventilation

- Fresh air is the most effective form of ventilation to minimise the risk of transmission.
- During the colder months, heating will be used in conjunction with ventilation methods to balance thermal comfort.
- All learning spaces in public schools have been checked to ensure appropriate levels of ventilation and air purifiers have been provided where needed.
- Using outdoor spaces will continue to be encouraged where possible.



### Masks

- Mask-wearing is strongly encouraged where possible for all staff and students, particularly in indoor spaces and other instances where ventilation and distancing is not possible.
- Mask-wearing is strongly encouraged for visitors, particularly when they are interacting directly with students, and is required when interacting with students who are at greater risk of serious illness should they contract COVID-19.
- Masks are required when indoors for students attending school as a close contact in Year 7 and above and are strongly encouraged for younger students.
- Mask-wearing is strongly encouraged for all students for the 3 days following their recovery from COVID-19.



### Visitors

- Visitors can attend school sites regardless of their vaccination status.
- Visitors who are engaging directly with students in certain higher-risk settings for school operations and curriculum delivery and allied health partners for the wellbeing of students, may be required to wear masks.
- Visitors who attend school as a close contact are required to inform the school and follow certain guidelines, including wearing a mask when indoors.



### Activities

- Health and safety risk assessments will be integrated into planning activities, including excursions and overnight camps.
- Parents and carers will be made aware of the risk of exposure and will need to give permission for certain activities.



### Responding to local situations

- Schools will work with the department's Health, Safety and Staff Wellbeing case management team to respond appropriately to local situations, including outbreaks of viral illness.
- In some cases, schools may temporarily introduce additional measures as a 'circuit breaker', including requiring mask-wearing, postponing or limiting non-essential activities and directing cohorts to learn remotely.



### Learning remotely

- The department continues to develop digital learning resources to support students who need to learn remotely.

For more info, visit [education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/advice-for-families](https://education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/advice-for-families)

### Telephone interpreter service

If you need further information please call your school principal. If you need an interpreter to assist you with your enquiry please call the Telephone Interpreter Service on 131 450 and ask for an interpreter in your language. Tell the operator the phone number you want to call, and the operator will get an interpreter on the line to assist you with the conversation. You will not be charged for this service.

The NSW Government is committed to ensuring school operations continue while prioritising the safety and wellbeing of students and school staff.



## **Morisset Primary P & C**

**Meeting via Zoom on Monday August 1 at 1 pm**

**Email:** [mpspc@yahoo.com](mailto:mpspc@yahoo.com) if you would like to attend or visit the P & C Facebook Page.

**Canteen Volunteers:** Extra Volunteers always welcome.

**Phone** Amanda Finucane 0414 270 885

## **Community Announcements**



### **Morisset (After School) Auskick Centre Term 3 2022**

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**For more information contact: Matt Haines on 0498 331 163**

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#### **2022 COMMUNITY AUSKICK PACK**







# SOUTH LAKES ROOSTERS JRLFC



Re: South Lakes Roosters Inaugural Indigenous Round 2022

Dear Members of the Indigenous Community,

Kaayi  
(Hello)

My name is Jaime Bennett and I am the president of the South Lakes Roosters Junior Rugby League Football Club at Dora Creek. Our committee is looking to host an Indigenous Round at our home ground on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> August 2022.

We are proud that approximately 25% of our participants (players and volunteers) have an Indigenous background and we are hoping to recognise and celebrate this by hosting an Indigenous Round. We are grateful to have our home ground on Awabakal Land and we would like to pay our respects to all Elders – past, present and emerging.

We would like to invite you to be a part of our day and would appreciate any input or ideas that you may have to help make the day a success. If you would like to get in touch with me on the details below, we can discuss further.

Nhunda Kumba Kumba  
(Thank you)

Kind Regards,

Jaime Bennett



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## School Specialty Group Photographs

Specialty Group Photographs are available online.

Any orders received by Wednesday 29th June will receive FREE delivery to the school if pick up option is selected during online ordering.

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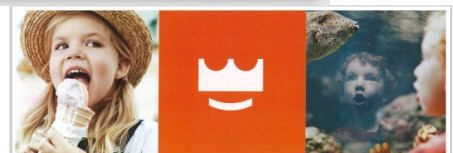
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## COVID-19: IDENTIFYING THE SYMPTOMS

SYMPTOMS	COVID-19	COLD	FLU	ALLERGIES*
	Symptoms range from mild to severe	Gradual onset of symptoms	Abrupt onset of symptoms	May be abrupt or gradual onset of symptoms
<b>Fever</b> 	Common	Rare	Common	No
<b>Cough</b> 	Common	Common	Common	Common (asthma)
<b>Sore Throat</b> 	Sometimes	Common	Sometimes	Sometimes (Itchy throat and palate)
<b>Shortness of Breath</b> 	Sometimes	No	No	Common (asthma)
<b>Fatigue</b> 	Sometimes	Sometimes	Common	Sometimes
<b>Aches &amp; Pains</b> 	Sometimes	No	Common	No
<b>Headaches</b> 	Sometimes	Common	Common	Sometimes
<b>Runny or Stuffy Nose</b> 	Sometimes	Common	Sometimes	Common
<b>Diarrhoea</b> 	Rare	No	Sometimes, especially for children	No
<b>Sneezing</b> 	No	Common	No	Common

Adapted from material produced by WHO, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the American Academy of Allergy, Asthma and Immunology. \*Respiratory allergies include allergic rhinitis (hay fever), and allergic asthma. Other common symptoms of hay fever include itchy nose and itchy, watery eyes.

It is very difficult to distinguish between the symptoms of COVID-19, influenza and a cold. If you have any infectious or respiratory symptoms (such as a sore throat, headache, fever, shortness of breath, muscle aches, cough or runny nose) don't go to work. You need to self-isolate and to be assessed by a medical professional. You may need testing for COVID-19. You must not return to work until cleared by a medical professional. You need to ensure that the people you care for are protected and safe. People who have respiratory allergy symptoms such as allergic rhinitis (hay fever) and allergic asthma should stay home and get tested for COVID-19 at the onset of their symptoms and if they experience symptoms that are unexpected, seem different or worse than usual, or do not respond to their usual medication.