

BONALBO CENTRAL SCHOOL

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TERM 3 COVID-19 UPDATE

New COVID-19 advice has been received from the Education Department which will affect how we can operate for the rest of this term.

Schools are operating full time while actively following health advice. Schools continue to be safe, and operations are in line with Australian Health Protection Principal Committee (AHPPC) and NSW Health advice. Schools are not required to conduct widespread temperature screening or mandate the wearing of a mask. Bus services to and from schools are scheduled to run as normal.

Parents/carers and other non-essential visitors are still not allowed on site. The school gates will now be closed during the day and parents/carers are asked to call the school prior to entering. Discussions with teaching staff will be by appointment only. Drop off/pick up of all students (K-12) will now occur outside school gates.

Kindy and Year 7 Transition activities on site have been delayed until further notice.

Students should be at school unless:

- they have a medical certificate which states that they are unable to return to school due to an ongoing medical condition and the expected timeframe
- they are currently unwell.

In accordance with advice from NSW Health, parents and carers are reminded NOT to send children to school if they are unwell, even if they have the mildest flu like symptoms. We will arrange for students who present as unwell to be sent home.

Students and staff with flu like symptoms will need to be tested through their local medical practitioner or one of the [COVID-19 clinics](#). A copy of a negative test result will need to be provided to the school and the absence of symptoms before being permitted to return.

Check the [Latest COVID-19 case locations in NSW](#) and follow the recommended actions if you have been in a location where there have been confirmed cases.

There is a clear plan in place for schools to respond to any suspected or confirmed cases of COVID-19 in our schools. We are working closely with NSW Health and will communicate with parents if a situation arises. Read more about our [Response protocols for COVID-19 cases](#).

You can refer to the Education Department's site for further details, <https://education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/advice-for-families>.

Please contact the school if you require further information or wish to discuss your child's situation.