



COVID SAFE POLICY

BLACKBURN LAKE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Florence Street Blackburn 3130

PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to outline to parents, carers, teachers and students how Blackburn Lake Primary School will continue to manage risk and other operational matters relating to Coronavirus (COVID-19). Blackburn Lake Primary School is committed to providing a safe learning and working environment for our students, staff and parents.

IMPLEMENTATION

- In order to manage risk, to ensure the health and wellbeing of all, Blackburn Lake Primary School will refer to and follow the current advice from the following sources. Operational decisions will be based on the latest directives and will evolve as advised.

1) Department of Education (DET) School Operations Guide

2) DET Health and safety advice for all Victorian schools webpage

<https://www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/health-and-safety-advice-all-victorian-schools>

3) The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) 1300 651 160 for the latest direction, information and advice

Blackburn Lake Primary School Site Specific Plans

BLPS COVID 19 Safety Management Plan

BLPS COVIDSAFE Assurance Program- site checklist

BLPS Emergency Management Response Plan

Related DET Policies

- [COVID-19 — Human Resources](#)
- [COVID-19 — School Operations](#)
- [COVID-19 — Teaching and Learning](#)
- [OHS Management System Overview — COVID-19 employee health, safety and wellbeing supports for schools \(including COVID Safe Plan\)](#)

- **Relevant legislation**
- [Public Health and Wellbeing Act 2008 \(Vic\)](#)
- [Public Health and Wellbeing Regulations 2019 \(Vic\)](#)

EVALUATION

This policy was last updated in February 2021 will be reviewed within three years.

Further information and resources

- [DET Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) website](#)
- [DHHS Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) website](#)
- Department of Health and Human Services Coronavirus hotline – 1800 675 398
- [DET Infectious Diseases Policy](#)
- [DET Health Care Needs Policy](#)

Mental Health and Wellbeing

We encourage any students, parents or families that require assistance to seek assistance from the organisations listed:

- [Parentline](#)
- [Kids Help Line](#)
- [Beyond Blue](#)
- [Life Line](#)

All visitors entering school grounds must wear a face mask



For detailed information visit:
www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au



CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) RESTRICTIONS REMAIN IN PLACE

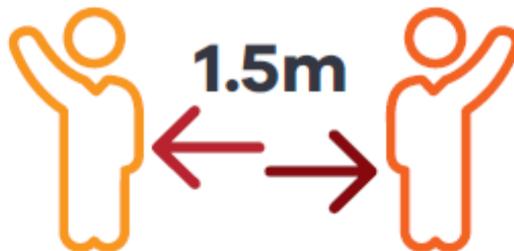
If you are unwell, please stay at home.

The greatest risk of transmission of coronavirus (COVID-19) is between adults. Please follow these physical distancing measures:

- avoid gathering in a group inside or around the school



- keep 1.5m between yourself and other adults



- avoid handshakes and hugs



- wash your hands regularly.



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If you are unwell, please stay at home.

Please do not enter if you have any of the following symptoms:

- loss or change in sense of smell or taste
- fever
- chills or sweats
- cough
- sore throat
- shortness of breath
- runny nose
- in certain circumstances headache, muscle soreness, stuffy nose, nausea, vomiting and diarrhoea may also be considered.



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