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Dear Parents and Carers of APS,

I hope that you all made the most of the beautiful weather yesterday and got some time to get some fresh air in the back yard.

With the extra restrictions that the government put in place and the declaration today that we are now in a National Emergency, I just wanted to let you know of the impact on us as a school. A number of our staff reside in the LGAs and are working remotely from home. We also have several vulnerable staff who we need to prioritise. Our staff have been working incredibly hard under very trying conditions and are doing an extraordinary job.

With the increased Stay at Home orders, the Department of Education has advised that only **the minimal amount of staff should be on the school grounds during the day**. This includes office staff, with only one member on site each day. One Executive teacher will be in attendance daily, including myself.

The updated advice from the government is to please **NOT send children to school unless it is absolutely essential that they attend**. If you are at home your children should be at home. If all families in all schools, follow the government advice we will hopefully be out of lockdown sooner. I am always positive so am looking forward to seeing all of the wonderful students of APS back here as soon as we exit this National Emergency.

Thank you as well for helping with your child's Learning from Home. We hope that the students in Stage 2 and 3 enjoy their zooming next week.

If you need any communication with the school, email is the preferred mode from next week until we return to business as usual, as the Office staff will be working remotely from home.

Keep strong and positive,

Pamela Ladd
Principal
23rd July, 2021