



# Norris Road State School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for your hard work, commitment and dedication to remote learning this week. I appreciate the difficulty of balancing work commitments with ensuring continuity of learning at home for your children, and know that this has been extremely challenging for some families. My appreciation also extends to our essential workers who are leaving the safety of their homes every day to ensure the mechanizations of our society keep turning, while entrusting their children to us.

We already have plans in place should the lockdown be extended past Sunday August 8, 2021. These include:

- The continuation of the learning grid format, with a focus on revision and reinforcement of concepts.
- Grids will be expanded to include more visuals and challenge questions should you and your child wish to further extend their learning this week.
- The grids will continue to be uploaded to our website the night before and will now be emailed directly to you by your child's teacher.
- If you do not receive the grid by 9 am, please check your email's junk folder.
- Letting us know by 8.30 am which days your child will be engaging in remote learning through:
  - Directly contacting your child's teacher or,
  - Contacting our absentee line 3261 0777 (select option 1) or,
  - Emailing directly using [admin@norrisroadss.eq.edu.au](mailto:admin@norrisroadss.eq.edu.au)

Please note that school will be open for vulnerable children and children of essential workers on Wednesday August 11 2021, as the scheduled public holiday ("Ekka" holiday) was cancelled earlier this week. We are hopeful that lockdown will lift and we will resume business as usual next week! Please ensure that over the weekend, you remain informed regarding any changes through accessing media updates and information from the school.

Further information on supporting your child, maintaining healthy learning routines and setting up a learning space at home can be found at <https://education.qld.gov.au/curriculum/learning-at-home/wellbeing-of-students>.

At this stage, it is likely that if the lockdown is extended, we will continue to remain open for vulnerable children and children of essential workers only. Essential workers are defined as workers that absolutely must continue to attend their workplace during this difficult time. The Department of Education has asked all parents to consider the Chief Health Officer's advice and stay home with your children if you can. If you are an essential worker and need to send your child to school you must ensure your child is well and not displaying any signs of illness.

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I am wishing you and your family a safe weekend,

Yours sincerely,

Melissa Burke

Principal