

12 November 2021

Dear Fantastic Fadden Families

This week our school leaders Miki and Vuk led the school in recognising Remembrance Day at 11am on Thursday 11th November. They spoke to the school community on the public address system reminding us all, of the significance of the day and observed the minutes silence. Lest we forget.



This week we have also farewelled Mrs Nicky Henry who has left to have her 2nd baby whilst at 'fertile' Fadden. We look forward to sharing her little bundle of joy later in the term.



Over the weekend ACT Health has added a new [ACT School Exposure locations feature](#) to their COVID-19 website. A list of ACT schools identified as an exposure location can be found under the list of all exposure locations across the ACT that are updated every day at 10 am.

Whilst I have shared with you all on the 22nd October some details on what plans are in place if our school did happen to become an exposure site, this media tile clearly outlines the 6 steps that would be taken and how quickly parents will be alerted if this did occur.



We understand the stress of families wondering what is happening with the number of exposure sites etc that are impacting our community at present. As a school we will maintain strict confidentiality around individuals and families that may be impacted by COVID-19 and ask that our school community does the same. I urge you to speak with our child's teacher or call the office if you have questions or concerns.

How are we going with our Parent - 2021 School Satisfaction and Climate Survey I hear you asking?

What to expect if there is a COVID-19 exposure at your school

1. ACT Health interviews all COVID-19 cases to determine their movements during the time that they were potentially infectious.
2. If they have attended a school during that time, ACT Health works closely with the Education Directorate and school leadership to complete a risk assessment to identify which student, staff and visitors at the school are contacts as a result of this exposure.
3. While this risk assessment is being completed you may receive an email from the school principal advising that there has been a potential exposure at your school and asking your child to stay at home while the risk assessment is being completed.
4. When the risk assessment has been completed, ACT Health directly notifies all close contacts and provides advice to them about their quarantine and testing requirements.
5. The school principal will then email the whole school community advising the risk assessment has been completed and that anyone who has not been contacted directly by ACT Health can resume their usual activities, including returning to school.
6. Cleaning is arranged for the impacted areas of the school before staff and students return.

More information about how COVID-19 cases are managed in ACT schools is available on the [Education Directorate website](#).


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Fadden Primary School - 2021 School Satisfaction & Climate Survey - as at 12/11/2021	
Number of completed surveys	88 surveys
Percentage of Fadden Primary School families represented	41.3% of families

Thank you to those parents who have completed the survey for each of their children at our school. The survey has been extended and now closes next Friday, 19th November, so there is still time to provided us with your feedback.



Don't forget to send in your 2022 Intentions form to help us in creating the best possible classes next year!

Jo Jefferson
Principal