

Gillieston Public School

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COVID-19 Virus Update – Wednesday 8 April 2020

Dear Families,

Thank you for sending through your photos of hats for our virtual Easter hat Parade. This creation will be completed tomorrow and, the plan is, to have the movie uploaded to our School Website by the end of Thursday. There are certainly some amazing and creative hats on display – well done everyone!

School closure - holidays

Our school will be closing at 3:05pm Thursday 9 April 2020 and resuming on Tuesday 28 April 2020 for Term 2. On-line learning will recommence and work packs will be available in front of the Office from Tuesday 28 April 2020.

At this point of time, NSW schools will be operating under the same conditions as we are currently working. Schools will be available for essential workers and those who have no other alternatives. Flexible learning options, specifically online learning and some work packs will be used to assist home learning programs.

Devices available for loan

For families who have limited access to technology, we have developed a loaning agreement to access one of the school's Chromebooks. At school we have limited numbers of devices which we are able to loan on a **one per family basis**. As you can appreciate, this resource really should only be accessed by families that have no other alternative. If you would like to avail yourself of one of these devices please phone the Office to reserve a device. A formal loan agreement will need to be signed as this will help us track who has which device. Please allow 48 hours for processing.

School Development Day

Staff will be engaging in professional learning on Monday 27 April 2020 for the entire day. This will include our administration staff, therefore our phones will not be manned at all times on this day. Please remember to leave a message if you have the option via our answering service as someone will get back to you.

90.7% absent from Gillo PS today!

Mr David Crowe