



## Gillieston PS Update – Friday 1 May 2020

Dear Families,

In the words of Jon Snow – "Winter is Coming!"

The cold winds and rain of this week are a great reminder of the need to ensure that our kids are well covered when they are coming to school. Please ensure that each piece of property is clearly labelled with your child's name ... would you believe that we have already found lost property this term!

According to the NSW Government, our public schools will continue to operate as they have for the end of Term 1 and Week 1, this term. If you can keep your children at home, then please do so. Your assistance is greatly appreciated and means that the children that have to come to school can enjoy a degree of social distancing.

Our staff will continue to provide online learning programs and support through our various communication platforms such as SeeSaw. A greater number of classes will also be moving into Zoom throughout next week to provide the opportunity for two way communication between staff and classes. Work packs will be able to be collected for Week 2 from Monday morning. Please encourage your child to return their completed work for teachers to check and monitor progress.

Today we had approximately 23% of our enrolments attending school. These students have been working in Stage based groups throughout the school.

On a really positive note, we have had four new enrolments join our school. Two have already started joining in class programs and are looking forward to meeting all of their new friends when everyone is able to return to school in the future.

Thanks again for all of your support. Have a great weekend and stay safe.

Mr David Crowe