

# Going Back to School



It has been a long time since we have all been at school. The CORONAVIRUS or COVID- 19 has been in our community and has made some people sick, so we have been staying home to keep us safe.



We have been doing our work at home and seeing my friends and teachers on Zoom.



Very soon we will be able to go back to school because it is the right time.

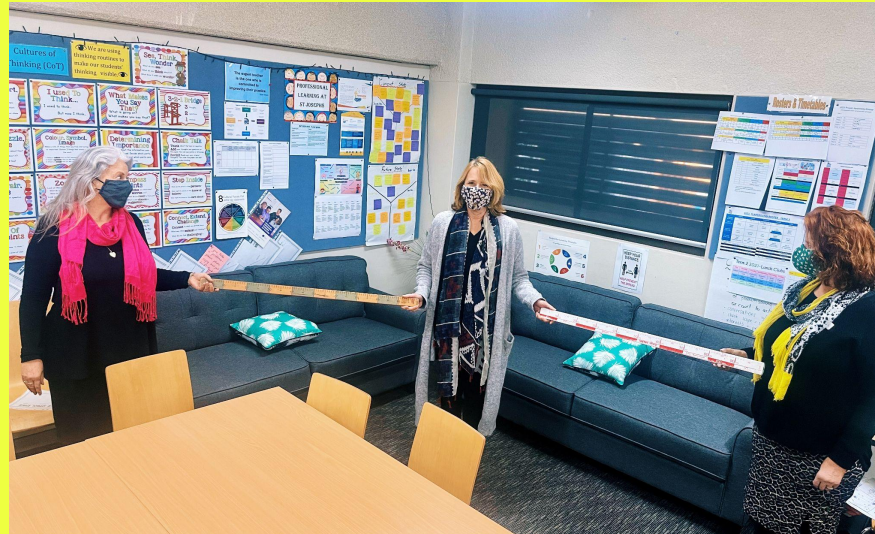
The K-2 children will return first followed by the 3-6 children. We will finally get to see our teachers and our friends again. It is going to be so exciting!



Your teachers are most excited about seeing you all in person again and not just on a screen. They have missed you so much and missed having you all together and learning at school.



Things might be a little different at school. Your teacher will have a mask on in the classroom and on the playground. They will pull their mask down to help you understand what they are saying at times. Some of the children in your class might also have a mask on.



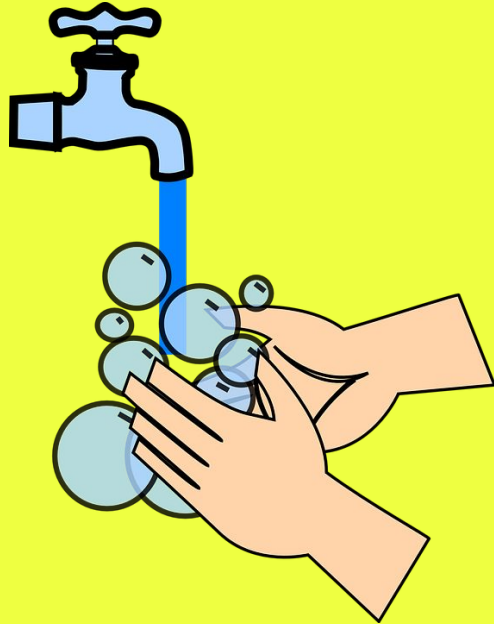
You can choose to wear a mask at school. Your parents will help you choose.



When we go back to school we must remember to keep our distance from our friends and teachers, just like you have been doing for these past few months. This is called social distancing. We don't need to talk too close to people. If your friend or teacher asks you to move back, you must follow this instruction to help everyone keep safe and feel comfortable.



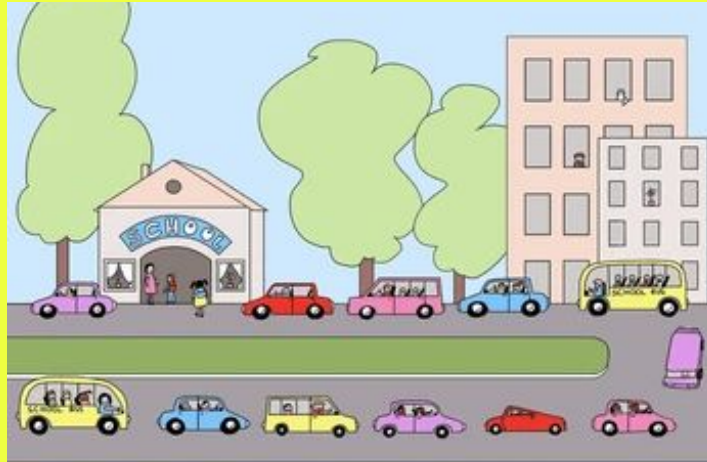
Your teacher will also remind you to wash your hands before eating and keep your hands off you face. It is easy to do these things. Maeve will also be at school to clean the classrooms and desks twice a day.



If you are sick with a runny nose, or sneezing or feel unwell, you need to stay at home until you feel better. If you feel unwell when you are at school, you may need to go home from school.



Your parent will need to drop you at the front gate or at the Kiss and Ride spot. Parents cannot come into the school. It is a bit different but that's OK because your mum and dad don't go to school, you go to school! You go to school to be with your teachers and friends and to learn. A teacher is on duty in the morning and can help you if you need them.



Your parent may have work to do, so you need to come back to school. Your teachers will look after you and keep you safe and happy. Make sure to wave goodbye with a big smile. Your parent will come back and pick you up at the end of your day.



It has been so long since we have been at school, you will have to get used to things again. We will start by remembering our school rules and routines, practising waiting our turn, being considerate and kind to others and retraining those tummies of yours to not snack all day long!



# Welcome back Joeys



# We have missed you!