

29<sup>th</sup> April 2020

TO: The Immanuel Gawler Community

**RE: The Start of Term 2**

Hi all,

Term 2 has started really well and our numbers on site have gradually risen to around 65% on average. It has felt great to be back and our students have done really well, demonstrating excellent capacity to adapt and change to the context we are in. So have our staff!

Our staff have been working hard to teach the children on site in a face to face mode, while supporting those that are at home.

As soon as possible it's our preference to return to our normal classroom set ups and structures and we are definitely working towards that as numbers on site increase. Some cohorts have already returned to this and others are planning for it depending on numbers.

As numbers on site increase and classes return to their normal structures we will continue to support those at home but it won't be possible to maintain the same level of support as all teachers will be engaged in full time face to face teaching and will not be able to respond to questions or issues, or to provide feedback as quickly

**So, for those currently offsite** we are asking that you complete the very simple survey (which was emailed to you today) so we can determine our numbers for next week and beyond.

Certainly, we respect the decisions made to keep children home and we will continue to do so. We also continue to take the Carona Virus seriously and continue to implement the changes we can for the school context. One thing I am encouraging families to do is to download the CovidSafe app. All of our staff have done so and I believe it affords us an extra layer of confidence that our school community is a safe one to be in. Of course, should that change we will respond quickly and we are very well placed to do so.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you would like to talk through any of this.

Daryl