

Dear Parent/Carers

A quick email to check in and let you know that we are thinking about you and your families. Thanks to the Stacey family, we loved the delicious birthday cupcakes. Please continue to check out our Website, Facebook Page and Twitter feeds to see what is happening at school. Copies of these emails have been saved on the school website should you need to access to previous information. Attached is a letter from Minister Yvette Berry outlining what schools are doing at the moment and how parent/carers can access supports for learning. Immunisation were scheduled for Thursday 2 April 2020, we are awaiting confirmation from ACT Health regarding when these will be rescheduled and will provide an update when possible.

### **WHAT CAN YOU DO TO SUPPORT US?**

There are a few things you can do support us here at school:

1. This Thursday and Friday we will be hosting an online Check-In. Thursday we are running a trial online Check-In for students in Bataba and Wallara. Students can access the Check-In via an email sent to their student email account by their Check-In teacher. The email will contain a link to a Google Hangout. The Check-In will be from 9am – 9:30am. Students in Noola and Mankina will have a trial Check-In on Friday and will access the Google Hangout via their student email as well. Students can access their student email account through the EDU backpack:  
<https://backpack.ed.act.edu.au/>.
2. We have received 186 responses to our survey, if you haven't responded, please click on the link below so that we can plan how to best support all students to learn in Term Two, 2020.
3. Families have been contacting the school and we now have 431 students on approved leave. You will continue to receive the attendance SMS and email unless you contact the school to let us know that you will keep your child(ren) home, please email Rolls Office at: [RollsOffice@melrosehs.act.edu.au](mailto:RollsOffice@melrosehs.act.edu.au)

Thank you for the feedback about the survey, we are hopeful that we have now ironed out all the bumps! Please click [here](#) to complete a survey containing some important information about access to resources needed to make online learning effective for your child(ren). If you have any problems or questions with this survey, please do not hesitate to contact Lisa Green at: [lisa.green@ed.act.edu.au](mailto:lisa.green@ed.act.edu.au).

### **LEARNING FOR TERM ONE, 2020**

- The ACT Education Directorate has established a *Home Learning Challenge* for students to participate in (attached) as well as a collection of supports available here: [Resources to Support Home Learning](#).
- Please ask your child(ren) to join the MHS Google Classroom, *Keeping It Real! Just for Fun* – class code is: **gq6mimx**

Thank you for working in partnership with the school to enhance the learning outcomes and support the wellbeing of our community.

Kind regards  
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