

23 April 2020

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Families,

As you are aware, learning for Term 2 commences on Monday, 27 April. Schools will be open for supervision for children whose parents are essential workers and are unable to learn from home. For all students in the Diocese of Lismore, learning will continue with the same blended learning model, which was in operation at the end of Term 1.

During Term 2, schools will transition towards a staged return to face-to-face learning. Schools will communicate the timetable for students returning to classrooms over the coming weeks. At this point in time, it is too early to communicate exactly how and when this will occur in each school but the plan to return to face-to-face teaching will be dependent on health advice and the local circumstances.

Families should be confident that all decisions that have been, and will continue to be made, regarding the return to face-to-face learning, are based on advice from the Department of Health NSW and each school's individual needs. Our priority remains the health and safety of every school community.

Staff have delivered an enormous amount of innovation in regards to online resources and I wish to acknowledge their continued hard work and dedication. I encourage you to continue to use the **Learning From Home** website to support your child throughout the coming weeks. The site can be found here: <https://sites.google.com/lism.catholic.edu.au/learning-from-home-families/>

We thank you in advance as we continue to navigate this unprecedented situation. We will continue to provide you with ongoing information and updates to inform you of our support for your child throughout the coming term. Such support and communication underline the importance of relationships and parent partnerships within the Catholic school community.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact your school.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sally Towns".

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*Director of Catholic Schools*