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Dear parents,

Just a few short items for today's update.

Current numbers

An update on student numbers: 35 children have logged onto SeeSaw this morning and indicated they are Learning at Home today. 35 children represent 4% of our students. We are supporting these children with our weeks 3 + 4 Learning at Home packs. There are also some 'unexplained absences' today, so it's possible that a few more than 35 children are Learning at Home and simply didn't log on this morning. We haven't yet been advised by the Department for Education or the Minister for Education that all children need to return to school and we have no indication when, or if, they might give this advice.

Is your child feeling sick, coughing etc?

We have had a small number of children being sent to school last week or today who are clearly unwell, and we have needed to ring someone to collect them. Just a reminder that we must follow SA Health advice and insist that any children feeling unwell, or showing symptoms of being unwell, need to stay home to rest. I'm sure you can appreciate that by all families following this, we help keep everyone safe and well.

Birthday Celebrations

We love to celebrate birthdays and make it a special day for all children. In our classrooms, each teacher has their own way of celebrating children's birthdays. We are now returning to our advice from early in the year: if you want to provide a small item on your child's birthday, please keep in mind that the school and Governing Council believe that a maximum of one small treat for each child in the class is sufficient. The main reasons for this are to keep in line with our health and safety guidelines and also to take away the "pressure" from parents to have to match the efforts of others.

Adults on site before / after school (a request)

A big thank you to parents who are saying farewell to children in the morning at the various school boundaries, and have a safe meeting place after school at or beyond a school boundary. We would urge the few remaining parents still waiting in the school yard at the end of the day to also stay at the boundaries, please. We do understand that this can create unintended congestion at some boundary areas and we ask adults to do their best in maintaining social distance amongst themselves. We have a small number of adults still coming into school 15 or 20 minutes before the bell and chatting in groups.

Kind regards,
Anthony Fischer
Principal