



# Principal's Report

## August 2020 P&C Meeting

- COVID-19
  - Thank you to the parent community for your support during these 'interesting' times. It has been challenging for everyone.
  - The current status quo will be maintained for the foreseeable future.
  - A number of events have had to be cancelled due to the restrictions to site access, gathering of people etc.
  - Key points:
    - Maintain social distance
    - Practise good hygiene
    - Get tested if unwell
- Semester 1 Reports
  - Reports for Semester 1 have been distributed.
  - Please contact your child's mentor teacher to arrange a mutually convenient time for a Zoom meeting or phone meeting to discuss further.
- Learner Qualities
  - The *Perseverance* learner quality was launched this week. Teachers are working on lessons for the remaining six qualities: *Confidence, Collaboration, Critical and Creative Thinking, Empathy, Initiative and Motivation*.
  - Please talk about perseverance with your children, for example, share a story with them about how you had to persevere to learn something.
- Staff Professional Learning
  - Staff have engaged in a lot of professional learning since the March P&C meeting. The focus areas have included: digital platforms, literacy, numeracy, completion of KidsMatter, data analysis and school planning.
  - All staff recently updated their CPR qualifications.
- Northern School Access and Newmarket Development
  - Access via Young Street will be unavailable whilst site restrictions are in place and until safety concerns and access paths are rectified. Meetings with Council continue.
  - In regards to the proposed Kiss and Drop Zone, Council continues to work on this (the first step is they need the road 'handed over' to them).
- School Excellence In Action/School Improvement Plan
  - A new school planning cycle commences next year.
  - We will be seeking input from parents into both evaluation of the 2018-2020 projects and development of the new plan.
  - Staff are currently undertaking professional learning regarding the requirements.

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