



Dear Lavalla Families

It is with great pleasure that we once again welcome you all to the start of the 2021 school year. We hope that everyone has enjoyed the extra week of break, and that students are feeling both ready and excited to re-join us on Monday.

### Term 1 Commencement

The first day for all students is Monday 8 February. Given the current climate around COVID-19 restrictions, we ask all families to drop their child off on Monday morning at the drive through area at the front of the Lavalla and Marcellin campuses. Once dropped off, students can make their own way to their classrooms, which will be open at 8.30am.

In the afternoon, all students are to be collected from the drive through area. Year 3 students will have an orientation of the drive through on Monday, prior to collection. Staff will supervise the collection of students. Any students catching the bus from Tuscany Way can do so as normal. Parents may park in the carpark and remain in their cars to wait for their children if they wish.

Of course, being the first day of school, it is likely that students who are new to the campus may need their parent to walk them to the classroom. These parents will need to wear a mask and register their attendance manually or by using the Safe WA QR Code in Lavalla Student Administration.

### Face masks

There is no obligation for students in the primary school to wear face masks in class or in the playground. However, you may choose for your child to wear a face mask. As per the directions of the Government, teachers will wear facemasks, except when providing teaching instruction, eating, drinking, and undertaking vigorous outdoor exercise.

### COVID Safe Practices

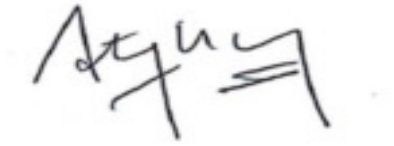
It is important that families know we take the health and safety of students, families, and teachers seriously. Teachers will continue to reinforce COVID-19 safe practices including:

- Restricting large numbers of visitors from entering school premises
- Visitors entering school grounds are required to sign in using the Safe WA App
- The school will continue to promote and encourage good hygiene practices amongst students, with allocated hand-washing times throughout the day.
- Hand sanitiser is available in each classroom and office area.
- Physical distancing measures are enacted.
- Children remain at home when they are unwell.
- Students who have been in the potential exposure sites of the recent positive COVID case are required to be tested and return a negative test result prior to returning to school.

**Challenge — Collaborate — Create — Celebrate**

We can all agree that this was not the start of the school year that we were expecting. We are very grateful to now be moving towards a return to normalcy. I would like to thank every family in our community for your support, patience and understanding as we strive to provide a safe learning environment for our students.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Stuart McClorey', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Stuart McClorey  
**LEADER OF PRIMARY**