

24 February 2022

Dear Playgroup Families,

I hope this letter finds you well. Wow! What a start to the 2022 school year!

As you know, we paused our community programs as we navigated the staggered start to the school year. I am so pleased to let you know that Playgroup will return from next week, beginning Tuesday 1 March 2022.

Keeping our Community Safe

We are implementing a number of important measures to ensure that our playgroup families and staff continue to be kept safe. In addition to minimise the spread of COVID as much as possible, these measures also lower the risk of becoming a close contact as defined by SA Health. Key measures are outlined below and will be in place until further notice:

- Please do not attend Playgroup if you or your child are unwell or have COVID symptoms, even if they are mild, or if you or your child have been told to isolate by SA Health.
- Adults must wear a mask at all times.
- Please sanitise on arrival, and/or wash your hands as needed after activities.
- Adults are to refrain from eating and drinking during Playgroup to avoid face masks being removed for long periods of time. Please use your discretion to allow for necessary hydration.
- Snack time will occur for children but families must be distanced from other family groups and are asked to wash or sanitise their hands prior to eating.
- Families are asked to maintain physical distance of 1.5 metres from other family groups.
- Families are asked to not spend more than 15 minutes at one activity or in the company of another Playgroup family to avoid being considered a close contact
- Where possible, please bring correct money to Playgroup to avoid having to handle change.

If a child or parent attending playgroup tests positive to COVID

It is imperative that should you or your child test positive to COVID and you have been at playgroup during your infectious period, that you contact me on 0417 527 145 or via email kcasey@star.catholic.edu.au. This enables us to communicate effectively with both staff and families.

Should a child test positive and be infectious whilst at Playgroup:

- The child will be considered as 'classroom contact', and will need to monitor for symptoms. They can continue to attend if they do not have symptoms.
- The family member/ adult will be treated under the general community close contact rules. *(this should be avoided by ensuring families are not in the company of another family for more than 15 minutes, when masks are worn all the time and when social distancing is adhered to).*

Should an adult/parent test positive and be infectious whilst at Playgroup:

- The adults attending will be treated under the general community close contact rules *(this should be avoided by ensuring families are not in the company of another*



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- *family for more than 15 minutes, when masks are worn all the time and when social distancing is adhered to).*
- The child will be considered a 'classroom contact', and will need to monitor for symptoms. They can continue to attend if they do not have symptoms.

We thank all of our families in advance for your patience, support and cooperation as we continue to navigate these changes together.

Please don't hesitate to contact me with any questions, concerns, or ideas you may have for our Playgroup. We look forward to welcoming you back.

Thank you and kind regards,

Kylie Casey
Playgroup Coordinator/ESO