



## Annesley Junior School

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Dear Annesley Community,

Lots of fun was had with 'creative greetings' as our students came to School this morning. The sun is shining, there is beautiful warmth in the air and the 'foot tap' seemed to be the greeting of choice. I've just had one of my many regular 'walk around the School' moments and it is so positive seeing our talented staff and creative students engaged in their learning and the implementation of our Program of Inquiry. Student engagement is high!

Yesterday afternoon Annesley's Business Manager Alex McCole, Deputy Principal Donna Nicolle and I participated in a teleconference with School leaders from around South Australia. South Australia's Premier, Hon Steven Marshall MP, The Minister for Education, Hon John Gardner MP and Senior Public Health officials from SA Health were present to provide some advice for schools in managing social distancing and the cancellation of mass gatherings. This was followed by a short 'Q&A' time. It was beneficial to hear from these experts in such a personalised forum.

We had a staff briefing after school yesterday and will have another one today. We are prepared, with a range of measures in place to minimise risk.

Thank you for positively engaging with your children at home, encouraging 'creative greetings' for them at School, practicing thorough hand washing and modelling coughing and sneezing into your elbow, all in line with social distancing protocols.

Please rest assured that Annesley will continue to act in line with Government directives, now and into the future. We assure you that any further updates will be communicated in a timely manner.

Yours sincerely,



LUKE RITCHIE  
Principal

