

3 September 2021

Dear Parents and Carers of Galilee School community,

We hope this letter finds you well.

We thank you for your support in continuing to implement our *Remote Learning and Support Model* (RLSM). Our RLSM is progressing well.

Staff have been encouraged this week by the high number of Learning Packets returned this week.

Earlier this week the ACT Government advised that the current period of lockdown will continue through to Friday 17 September.

Our focus at Galilee School remains to support our students, support you and to keep our staff and community as safe as possible. We are also striving to keep learning and connection available and accessible to all.

The ACT Government has today advised of initiatives to support vaccination for a number of cohorts in the ACT Community – including the Galilee School community. We are very grateful for this support and we have been in discussion this week with the ACT Education Directorate to prepare for this announcement.

The planning is targeting Thursday 16 September for the vaccination program for the Galilee School community. We anticipate the vaccinations to be provided onsite at our Kambah Campus. Further details and information will be shared next week but we are seeking initial understanding of the levels of interest. We are asking all families to please complete a short survey available here to help us understand the level of interest in accessing the vaccine and the logistics around doing so.

We are asking for the survey to be completed ASAP (by close of business Monday 6 September) please.

The Galilee School vaccination program will be time-limited and delivered by Aspen Health.

### What do you need to do?

We are seeking your interest in whether your child and your family would like to participate in this in-reach program. Please complete the survey below by 5pm on Monday 6 September.

[Link to Family Survey Here](#)

Once our families have completed the survey, a consent form and further information about eligibility, when and where the vaccination clinic will be set up, will be sent to you next week.

Families who are unable to complete the survey online should contact the school on (02) 6293 6314 for help.

Our school will continue to operate under our RLSM while the vaccination program is delivered, and we will work closely with families to ensure we meet the individual needs of each student. For more information on vaccines visit: [www.covid19.act.gov.au/vaccine](http://www.covid19.act.gov.au/vaccine)

As has been the case since the COVID-19 pandemic began, the environment within which we are operating is changing all the time.

Our Remote Learning and Support Model (RLSM) will remain in place for Week 9 and 10.

From Week 8 we have commenced a modified model of access to onsite connection with the school. It is limited, it is closely managed, it has clear requirements, and it is accessed by agreement and through consultation. A one-page summary of our current RLSM is attached and [available here](#).

Please visit our school website <https://www.commsatwork.org/services/community/galilee-school/> to access communications, resources and support during this time.

Regular reviews will continue to be conducted of the operations of Galilee School considering:

- any new medical advice received
- feedback from young people and families
- staffing resources
- ACT Government advice.

The Timetable for Years 7 to 10 next week (Week 9) is online on our school website and remains the same as Week 8. Some changes have been made to the Senior Secondary College timetable and the updated timetable is also on our school website. Please ensure you check each week for an updated timetable.

Regular updates will continue to be provided via text message and via *School Stream*.

Please stay connected with us via our Galilee School Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/GalileeSchool/>

Thanks for your ongoing support. We continue to seek to do whatever it takes to keep our community safe, engaged and supported.

Yours sincerely



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