



Maleny State School

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1 August 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

As you would be aware, the Premier has announced the following local government areas will be entering a three-day lockdown, from 4pm Saturday 31 July 2021 until 4pm Tuesday 3 August 2021.

- City of Brisbane
- City of Gold Coast
- City of Ipswich
- Lockyer Valley Regional Council
- Logan City
- Moreton Bay Region
- Noosa Shire Council
- Redland City
- Scenic Rim Regional Council
- Somerset Regional Council
- Sunshine Coast Regional Council.

Anyone who has been in these local government areas is expected to stay at home unless for an [essential purpose](#). This includes people who have travelled to these areas from other locations. The [Queensland Government website](#) will be updated with further information on the lockdown, including all restrictions and maps of the affected areas. I encourage you to monitor these links as they will continue to be updated over the coming days.

Students of essential workers or vulnerable children can attend Maleny State School during the lockdown period, and arrangements will be made for those of our students learning from home to commence remote learning from Tuesday 3 August. You will receive more detailed communication about learning from home and processes for vulnerable children and children of essential workers attending onsite in the very near future. Should you wish to supplement Maleny State School's learn from home arrangements, parents and carers can also make use of the [learning@home website](#).

There is now a requirement that all staff at Maleny State School and students in secondary schools wear face masks. While this is a new requirement in school settings, all people over the age of 12 should already be wearing masks when out in the general population. I thank our parents and carers for also wearing a mask should you need to enter the school grounds.



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In the current climate, I would like to reassure our families that the health and wellbeing of Maleny State School students is paramount and as a result, our current priorities are to:

1. Minimise the risk of children and staff becoming unwell
2. Minimise levels of fear and anxiety within our school community and specifically for children.

Please be assured that the Department of Education is working closely with Queensland Health and Principals are currently receiving daily information regarding a coordinated approach across South-East Queensland state schools. I am committed to sharing information with our school community promptly as it comes to hand around this rapidly changing situation.

I would like to sincerely thank our school community for again supporting a learning from home model and urge you to please stay [COVID safe](#).

I wish all of our school community well.

Yours sincerely

John Byrne
Principal Maleny State School