

Friday 5 February 2021

Perth COVID-19 Update: Transition out of lockdown from 6pm, Friday 5 February

Dear Families,

Following on from the Western Australian Government announcement made on Sunday 31 January regarding the five-day lock-down, a new announcement was made Thursday 4 February that announced pending no further local cases, the five-day lockdown for the Perth, Peel and South West regions will end as planned at 6pm, Friday 5 February.

From 6pm, Friday 5 February the following will come into effect:

- Perth and Peel will enter into a post-lockdown transition period until 12.01am, Sunday 14 February. This allows the full 14-day incubation period to run its course
- South West will return straight to pre-lockdown conditions.

What this will mean is that from 6pm tonight, Friday 5 February everyone within the Perth and Peel regions will enter a post-lockdown transition period.

The post-lockdown transition period for Perth and Peel includes:

- Wearing a mask when in public and while at work, unless exempt or for vigorous outdoor exercise
- All businesses can reopen, except for the casino and nightclubs
- 4 square metre capacity rule in place for businesses and venues, up to a maximum of 150 people
- 150-person capacity at all events including weddings, funerals and community sport
- Seated service only at hospitality venues
- Dancing only permitted at weddings and dance studios
- 20-person limit for private indoor and outdoor gatherings
- Visits to aged care and disability care facilities restricted to compassionate grounds
- Residential school and boarding facilities can resume with a COVID Safety Plan
- Only essential travel permitted in and out of the Perth and Peel regions to other parts of WA.

We ask families that until the Sunday 14 February you continue to wear a face mask during drop-off and pick-up times and during temperature checks and transitions to staff members. Please note that all Families are able to access all environments including classrooms from Monday 8 February following all directions of Service staff and adhering to the required social distancing of 1.5 metres.



We would like to remind Families of the importance of completing temperature checks for all persons entering the Service and recording this information accurately on the Busy Bees COVID-19 Health and Temperature Check Register each time you enter the service. Staff will continue to monitor children's' temperatures throughout the day, and should a child present with a temperature above 37.5 degrees, as per health advice, we will call a parent or emergency contact to have the child collected.

If your child becomes unwell at home, we request that you do not bring them to the Service but inform us of the reason for their absence. The safeguarding of the health and wellbeing of our children, staff and wider communities is our top priority and we will continue to act in accordance with the latest public health advice from the Australian Government.

Where a child or family member presents with any COVID-19 symptoms a COVID-19 test is required, once a negative result is received and the child is well enough to return to the Service results of the test are to be provided to the service upon return to care.

The safeguarding of the health and wellbeing of our children, staff, and wider communities is our top priority and we will continue to act in accordance with the latest public health advice from the Western Australian Government. Refer to the Western Australian Government <u>webpage</u> for the latest updates.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss this further, please contact the Service Manager directly.

We thank you for your cooperation and continued support.

Warm Regards,

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