



Adamstown Public School

OPPORTUNITY INNOVATION SUCCESS

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Dear Parents, Carers and Community,

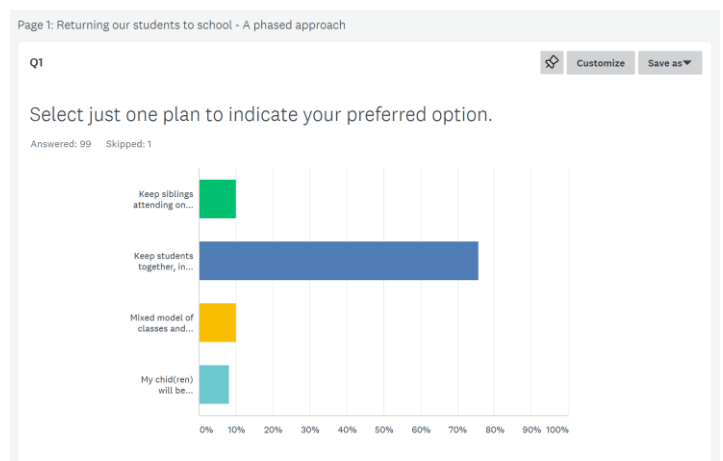
As communicated last week we are currently in **Phase 0** of the Department of Education's managed return to school for students. **Phase 0** operates for the duration of Weeks 1 and 2 of Term 2 whereby **'Schools are open for families who need it'** (Please refer to the attached NSW Department of Education Guidelines for families document).

Community Survey Results

Thank you to those families who completed our online survey last week indicating preferences to guide our planning process for **Phase 1** at Adamstown Public School. We had an overwhelming 75.75% of responses indicating the preferred preference of *"Keep students together, in their class but in smaller groupings (they will have some time with their regular teacher)"*.

Over the last few days school has carefully considered a range of factors in determining an effective return to school transition plan. The plan has been informed by:

- Policy and advice from NSW Health and the Department of Education
- Feedback from parents and carers (survey results)
- School organisational and logistical requirements.



From Monday May 11 (Weeks 3-6 inclusive)

We move into **'Phase 1 - Students at school at least one day per week'** of the managed return to school for students. The allocated 1 day per week for students will be as follows:

- Kindergarten – Monday
- Years 1 and 2 – Tuesday
- Years 3 and 4 – Wednesday
- Years 5 and 6 – Thursday

The plan allows for approximately a quarter of students to attend school each day and sit in class with their teacher and classmates. Students not at school will continue to engage with learning at home on/offline. Families who need to send their child every day may continue to do so and no child will be turned away.

I understand the complexities some families will face no matter how we structure this process and I am grateful in advance for everyone's compassion and flexibility. Please continue to contact the school via email or telephone so we can assist and support as needed. You are all doing an amazing job and I am very fortunate to be working through these most challenging times with such a supportive community who make, and support decisions based on what is best for our treasured children. Stay connected and stay well everyone.

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Principal (rel)