

Gilgandra Public School

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Dear Parents/Carers

Late on Friday 11 December I received a call from the Department of Education regarding the Presentation and Graduation ceremonies planned for Gilgandra Public School this week regarding not following the Covid guidelines correctly. Therefore, I have had to adjust the information sent to parents/carers.

I apologise for the changes, but this hasn't been a normal year so following are the new guidelines for the Year 6 Graduation and Presentation Ceremonies.

Year 6 Graduation

NSW Education Guidelines: Graduations and formals will be allowed within cohorts, either on school sites or at external venues. For graduations and formals held on school sites, students in the cohort may attend regardless of vaccination status. Fully vaccinated parents and guests may attend at the discretion of the school and if there is sufficient capacity based on COVID-safe capacity limits (square metre rules) in effect for indoor or outdoor venues on the date of the event.

The Year 6 Graduation Assembly adheres to the restrictions applied. Year 6 students and staff will attend the organised dinner at the Gilgandra RSL commencing at 5:45pm then walk back to school for the outdoor Graduation Ceremony to be held in the K-2 playground, Noreen Street at 7pm. Fully vaccinated parents/carers may attend as there is sufficient safe capacity limits. All visitors must check-in, show proof of vaccination and wear a mask. Non-vaccinated parents can view the Presentation from outside the fence. Seating will be provided on the footpath.

K-2 and Year 3-5 Presentations

NSW Education Guidelines: Presentations will be allowed outdoors on site. Cohorts should be separated with physical distancing in place where practicable.

The K-2 Presentation will be held outdoors on the K-2 grassed area in Noreen Street at 9:30am. **Invited** parents may attend and view from outside the fence. Seating will be provided on the footpath.

The Year 3-5 Presentation will be held outdoors on the K-2 grassed area in Noreen Street at 10:15am. **Invited parents** may attend and view from outside the fence. Seating will be provided on the footpath

Mrs Briggs will video the three events and upload at the end of each assembly for the Gilgandra Public School Community.

Yours Sincerely

Patricia Howard

Principal