

SRE RETURN TO SCHOOL

Updated 21st January 2021

- SRE classes are to be held for no longer than one hour and classes should take place in a suitably sized room or outdoors. There is currently no limit on class size.
- Where possible, students participating in these activities should remain within their relevant cohort (i.e. class, year group or stage) to limit the mixing of students between cohort groups.
- Singing and/or chanting activities should be avoided.
- While singing is an important part of SRE it is to be avoided at this time. Songs can be listened to or shown on the SmartBoard. Actions to songs are permitted. The use of instruments (no instruments students blow into) is to be limited to one instrument per child and instruments must be disinfected before and after each class. Students may also draw about the song while they are listening to it. Be creative!
- Only one SRE teacher per class of 30 students. No observers/helpers are permitted at this time.
- All teachers, support staff, and parents must maintain physical distance from each other (1.5m) and maintain hygiene practices while on site.
- Staff and students are not required to wear a face mask while at school. Anyone who wishes to wear their own masks in schools will not be prevented from doing so.

- Masks are mandatory when travelling on public transport in Greater Sydney (including the Blue Mountains), Central Coast and Wollongong. Please visit the [NSW Health advice regarding masks](#).
- Approved providers of SRE are not required to have a COVID-19 safety plan to enter schools. SRE teachers should deliver SRE as efficiently and safely as possible.
- You must sign an "External Visitors to School" form **every** time you enter the school to teach SRE.
- You must **stay home** if you are sick in any way. Please **inform** your **coordinator and** the **school** asap if you cannot attend. Make sure your team has some **reserve SRE teachers** who can fill in at the last minute if needed.
- If you are tested positive for COVID - 19 you must **inform** your **Principal and NSWACC SRE** sre@nswacc.org.au
- If your **school is shut** for any reason, please inform **NSWACC SRE** sre@nswacc.org.au
- We must comply with AHPPC guidelines: <https://www.health.gov.au/committees-and-groups/australian-health-protection-principal-committee-ahppc>
- We must comply with the NSW Public Health Orders for COVID - 19: <https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19>
- If you have a **smart phone**, you may find it helpful to download the NSW School Update app, which will give you the latest information on your school. <https://education.nsw.gov.au/parents-and-carers/nsw-school-updates-app>



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- Keep yourself up to date with the NSW Health guidelines about the circumstances under which people need to self-isolate and/or have a COVID test. <https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/latest-news-and-updates>
- Further information can be found at: <https://education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19> and <https://education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19>
- Pray for your school, your students and their families.