

Dear All,

Firstly I hope you are well and safe. For those of you who have been affected by flooding we are thinking of you and please let the school know if there is any support that we can provide to your son or daughter while you are dealing with this issue.

Yesterday was challenging at school. The buildings as you know (D, C and A blocks) are over one hundred years old and the narrow gutters could not cope with the volume of rain. D block (where all the classrooms are located) in particular was unable to cope and the main entrance from Gladestone Avenue into D block had to be closed for safety reasons due to water inundation.

The repairs of all these areas are hopefully occurring today.

Furthermore when we were told at 3.20 pm that the school buses had been cancelled from Brookvale this created an even more challenging day for our students.

You would have been so proud, as I was, of our students and staff who soldiered on throughout the day despite all these challenges.

The school is closed today for safety reasons so that the Department can check and repair any of the issues identified yesterday.

All students will work from home today. They will follow a normal Wednesday B timetable. Teachers will prepare lessons for each period and the teachers will either provide the work via Google Classroom, Zoom or both. The lessons will start at the normal time of 9.30 am.

I anticipate that school will resume as normal tomorrow Thursday and I will send you a text at about 3.00 pm this afternoon confirming this.

Thank you again for your support in yet another challenging time and please contact a member of your Stage wellbeing team (Deputy, Stage Head Teacher or Year Adviser) if you have any concerns relating to your child's wellbeing.

Best wishes  
Susan