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Dear Resident

I wanted to give you an update regarding COVID-19 and Double Bay Public School by sharing below today's statement from the NSW Minister for Education's Office.

Again, I want to acknowledge the efforts of the whole school community during this difficult time.

Today's daily NSW Health COVID-19 Update is also included.

Kind regards



UPDATE FROM THE NSW MINISTER FOR EDUCATION'S OFFICE

As you are aware, Double Bay Public School was non-operational for on-site learning for the afternoon of Friday 28 August, 2020 due to a staff member testing positive for COVID-19.

The school has been thoroughly cleaned and will resume on-site learning, Monday 31 August 2020.

The NSW Department of Education and NSW Health have been working closely to ensure the health and safety of all students and staff is maintained. This work has included identifying close contacts of the confirmed case and communicating directly with them regarding their requirement to self-isolate.

The students and staff identified as close contacts have been notified and were asked to self-isolate for the required period and not return to school until this time has elapsed.

The school will be vigilant in implementing infection control procedures, including daily cleaning in accordance with normal protocols, the promotion of healthy hygiene habits and will continue to make hand sanitiser available for staff and students to use while at school.

The safety and wellbeing of our staff and students is of paramount importance to us at all times. As such we will continue to work closely with NSW Health to ensure that all necessary health advice is adhered to.

Further information on COVID-19 is available on the <u>NSW Health website</u>. If you have any education-related questions please contact <u>1300 338 679</u>.



Saturday, 29 August 2020

NOVEL CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) ALERT

Fourteen new cases of COVID-19 were diagnosed in the 24 hours to 8pm last night, bringing the total number of cases in NSW to 3,844.

There were 24,632 tests reported in the 24-hour reporting period, compared with 30,282 in the previous 24 hours.

Of the fourteen new cases to 8pm last night:

- One is a returned traveller who is in hotel quarantine
- Ten are linked to a known case or cluster
- Three are locally acquired with their source still under investigation

Eight of the new cases are linked to the Sydney CBD cluster, bringing the total number of cases in this cluster to 23. Of the new cases, two are household contacts of previously reported cases, three attended the City Tattersalls Club, and three were close contacts of people linked to this cluster. Further investigations have found one case reported yesterday is also linked to this cluster.

NSW Health is investigating whether the CBD cluster originated in the City Tattersalls Club and then spread to workplaces in the city and to households across Sydney and the Central Coast. To assist in identifying earlier and possible undiagnosed cases, NSW Health is asking anyone who attended the Club between 4 August 2020 – 18 August 2020 to get tested for COVID-19 and isolate until a negative test result is received.

Genomic sequencing of the virus from cases in this cluster are related to other recent clusters in NSW. This virus is genetically different to that of the Marriott Hotel security guard, who had a strain that had come from overseas.

All identified close contacts of cases linked to this cluster are being contacted and told they must isolate for 14 days, get tested, get another test if any symptoms develop and stay isolated for the full 14 days, even if a negative test result is received within this period.

Among the new cases today, two are household contacts of cases linked to Liverpool Hospital.

Prior to diagnosis many of the recently confirmed cases have attended a variety of locations and a full list of locations is available on the link below.

New COVID-19 cases have visited the following locations in Mosman, St Ives and Rosebery and people attending at the same time must monitor for symptoms, get tested immediately if they develop and stay isolated until a negative test result is received:

- Archie Bear café, Mosman Rowers 24 August 11am to 12 noon and Tuesday 25 August 9:00am to 9.30am
- Rosebery Post Shop, 371 Gardeners Rd, Rosebery 26 August 1:30pm-1:40pm
- St Ives Shopping Centre, 166 Mona Vale Rd, St Ives 24 August 2:30pm-3:30 pm

NSW Health is treating 67 COVID-19 cases, including six in intensive care and four who are ventilated. 85 per cent of cases being treated by NSW Health are in non-acute, out-of-hospital care.

Due to the widening spread of the CBD cluster across multiple locations in the Sydney and Central Coast, NSW Health is strongly advising people who live or work in these areas to not visit aged care facilities at this time. This is a precaution while the cluster is investigated, cases are identified and isolated and contact tracing is done. NSW Health will continue to closely monitor

the number and location of cases in Sydney and the Central Coast and will adjust the advice regarding visitor restrictions on aged care facilities according to the level of local risk. NSW Health will provide an update during the next week.

COVID-19 continues to circulate in the community and we must all be vigilant. It is vital that people get a test as soon as they develop symptoms. People should ensure that they stay at least 1.5m from others and that they wear a mask in situations - especially on public transport - where physical distancing is difficult.

There are a wide range of testing clinics in the local area, and private testing is also available via GPs:

- Rushcutter's Bay Park Pop-Up Clinic, Sir David Martin Reserve, New Beach Road, Darling Point (9am-7pm 7 days)
- Bondi Junction Respiratory Clinic, 47 Spring Street, Bondi Junction (9am-5pm Mon-Fri, 10am-4pm Saturday)
- Bondi Beach drive-through car park clinic, Entry on junction of Campbell Parade, Beach Road, Bondi Beach (9am-7pm 7 days)
- St Vincent's clinic at the East Sydney Community Centre, 34-40 Burton Street, Darlinghurst (9am-4pm 7 days)
- Kirketon Road Centre Mobile COVID-19 testing clinic, 50-52 Darlinghurst Road, Potts Point (9am-4pm 7 days)
- Prince of Wales Hospital, 14B Avoca Street, Randwick (9am-7pm 7 days)

To view all NSW COVID-19 clinics, please click here.

NSW COVID-19 CASE NUMBERS

As at 11am Saturday 29 August.

By likely source of infection	Count
Overseas	2,067
Interstate acquired	89
Locally acquired – contact of a confirmed case and/or in a known cluster	1,296
Locally acquired – contact not identified	391
Under investigation	1
Total	3,844

Counts reported for a particular day may vary over time with ongoing enhanced surveillance activities.

Returned travellers in hotel quarantine to date

Since 29 March 2020	Count	
Symptomatic travellers tested	4,765	
Found positive	122	
Since 30 June 2020	Count	
Asymptomatic travellers screened at a day 2	17,750	
Found positive	88	
Since 15 May 2020	Count	
Asymptomatic travellers screened at a day 10	30,788	
Found positive	119	

KEY COVID-19 INFORMATION LINKS

Here are some helpful links to NSW Government information on COVID-19.

Information on NSW Public Health Orders and restrictions

Information for NSW Businesses and Employees

Service NSW Support for COVID-19 ��

The NSW Helpline on 13 77 88 is available to assist you with any questions you may have relating to COVID-19. You can also contact me on 9326 1856 or by email on vaucluse@parliament.nsw.gov.au if you need help.

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