

COVID update 31 July 2021

Dear Families,

I am writing to advise you about the recently announced fast and hard lockdown for the 11 Local Government Areas of:

Brisbane, Gold Coast, Ipswich, Lockyer Valley, Logan, Moreton Bay, Noosa, Redlands, Scenic Rim, Somerset, and Sunshine Coast.

We have been advised that this lockdown will be in place until from 4pm today, Saturday 31 July 2021 until 4pm, Tuesday 3 August 2021.

During this time C&K Kindergartens and Childcare centres will be open for essential workers and those experiencing vulnerability.

[Essential workers](#) are those whose work cannot be done from their home.

On Monday, staff will attend your centre to provide a learning program for these children. They will also be working on developing learn at home resources, should the lockdown continue beyond Tuesday.

C&K is seeking your support over the coming days to help us provide the safest working environment for children and staff.

Commitment Statement Response Level

Centres located in the affected LGA's will move to Response Level Orange (High Response) in the C&K [Commitment Statement](#). This means:

- Limit of one parent/guardian (or authorised emergency contact) per child during arrival and departure routines. Siblings may attend at these times, but we ask this be limited wherever possible
- Centre arrival and departure routines may need to change, your centre Director will let you know
- If your child travels to the centre by public transport they will need to change clothes upon arrival, teachers/educators will support the children to change clothing
- If you are a frontline health worker who is unable to change your clothes after completing a shift, please ask your centre Director. We will support you with an alternative departure routine.
- Anyone over the age of 12 will need to wear a mask when entering the centre, unless you have a lawful reason not to
- The centre will suspend any excursions, incursions, or centre events.

Our staff are not required to wear a mask when they are delivering the education program.

All other LGA's (outside of the 11 identified) remain at Response Level Green (Low Response) at this time.

Thank you all once again for your support and patience during this time. We will keep you updated as we receive more information.

Take care,

Dr Sandra Cheeseman
Chief Operating Officer