



## COVID-19 (novel Coronavirus) Statement

13<sup>th</sup> March 2020

Dear Families,

We are aware that the latest news reports around COVID-19 is creating some panic amongst the Just Add Water Swimming and outer communities.

We absolutely need to be vigilant and aware of the dangers AND also the facts surrounding COVID-19. Just Add Water Swimming is keeping a very close eye on the developments from the Department of Health and following guidelines set out by the government.

We are reassuring parents / carers that we are closely monitoring the COVID-19 coronavirus situation.

Today, the government released a ban on gatherings with over 500 attendees, with the virus now listed as a pandemic according to the World Health Organisation. We do not fall under this ban.

We ask that you please consider the points below to protect yourself and others:

- Continue to educate children about healthy hygiene habits - washing hands regularly, using tissues, covering the face when coughing and sneezing.
- Follow the Government's current quarantine and / or testing requirements, if you or your family have visited any of the affected areas, as identified by the State and Federal Governments, or have come into contact with someone who has visited those affected areas. If you have travelled overseas, please do not attend swimming lessons for 14 days (self-isolate).
- Not send your children to any of our Swim Schools if there is a risk you / they have been exposed to the virus, until you either have medical clearance or have completed the current



14-day self-isolation quarantine requirement, during which you / your child has shown no symptoms. Do not attend swimming lessons with signs of a cold/flu, just as you would normally - not only does it spread germs to other swimmers and your teachers, it also inhibits the rate at which children recover from illness. Rest, rehydrate, and recover at home.

- Go about your normal business and send your child to swimming lessons if you / they have had no known exposure to the virus and are fit and healthy

Please visit the Government's website for the most up to date information at:

<https://www.health.gov.au/news/health-alerts/novel-coronavirus-2019-ncov-health-alert>

Also, the link below for general COVID-19 information including prevention tips:


<https://www.health.gov.au/health-topics/novel-coronavirus-2019-ncov>

Providing our centres remain open, swimming lessons operate as usual - unless the situation changes dramatically, and health authorities advise otherwise. We will be following the recommendations from the Australian Government and Health Department.

Ensure you are familiar with our Terms and Conditions, available on our parent portal and also our website [www.justaddwaterswimming.com/terms-and-conditions/](http://www.justaddwaterswimming.com/terms-and-conditions/).

Regards,

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