

Dear Parent/Carer

Following wet weather, the Jimbour area is prone to large numbers of **mosquitoes**.

Queensland Health has advised that:

- personal insect repellents containing Picaridin or DEET are recommended to protect children from insect bites,
- only a thin, even coverage of repellent is required on the skin (do NOT apply an excessive amount), and
- if your child requires assistance, you should apply repellent to your hands first, then to the exposed skin of your child.

Our school encourages students to have their own personal repellent. As Queensland Health recommends that young children should not be allowed to apply their own repellents, our staff will be available to help those students who need assistance.

For your child to use insect repellent at school, you are required to provide consent.

Please complete and return the consent form below. If you have any questions about this initiative, please contact Mrs Rachel Streeter, Principal.

Queensland Health advises that anyone with known allergies to personal insect repellents should not use these products. Parents should check the manufacturer's recommendations before use. If you have any concerns regarding your child's use of insect repellents, you should consider seeking medical advice prior to giving consent.

Yours sincerely

Rachel Streeter
Principal

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WRITTEN AUTHORITY FOR THE USE OF INSECT REPELLENT AT JIMBOUR STATE SCHOOL

Please complete and sign

Student name:Class:

- ☐ YES, I give permission for my child to apply their own personal insect repellent.
- ☐ YES, I give permission for my child to haveinsect repellent (supplied by parent/carers) applied with the assistance of a staff member.
- ☐ YES, my child has used this insect repellent recently with no adverse reactions.
- ☐ NO, I do not give permission for my child to use insect repellent.

Additional information (if applicable)

Parent/carers name (Please print):

Parent/carers signature: Date:

Should you have any enquiries regarding this consent form, and the supply and use of personal insect repellent, please contact the school principal on telephone 07 4663 6120.