



6/5/2020

Parents, carers and community,

There is a planned phased return of students from next **Monday, 11 May (Week A)**. This is in line with the Phase 1 Return to School model being implemented by the NSW Department of Education.

**Year 12 students are attending school Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday.**

**Year 11 students are attending 2 days per week based on their surname:**

A to K are attending Week 3A: Monday and Wednesday, Week 4B: Tuesday and Friday.

L to Z are attending Week 3A: Tuesday and Friday, Week 4B: Monday and Wednesday

**Year 7-10 students return 1 day per week based on their surname. For Week 3 this will be:**

A to E: Mondays

F to L: Tuesdays

M to R: Wednesdays

S to Z: Fridays

Please note that this day will rotate each fortnight. Our Facebook page and website will have updates each week.

### **Support**

**7/8E:** Students will attend all days for Periods 1 to 4, except Thursdays.

**S1 and S6:** Years 7 and 9 attend Mondays and Wednesdays, Years 8, 10, 11 and 12 attend Tuesdays and Fridays.

**S2, S3, S4, S5, S7:** Students will attend all days except Thursdays.

**All classes 7-12 will follow their regular timetable and be taught by their regular teacher when at school. For the days with Online Learning from home students can access their teacher online during the lesson.**

### **Expectations to support the health and safety of all students and staff**

Safety is a priority during the COVID 19 pandemic. Students will be expected to behave in a responsible way, which recognises the importance of protecting the health of themselves, their peers, and staff.

Students will be expected to:

- Stay home when unwell. Parents must not send students to school if they are feeling unwell. If a student is unwell during the school day, they will not be able to remain at school. Parents will be expected to collect unwell students from school.
- Assist in keeping classroom desks and school equipment clean as directed by the teacher.
- Engage in regular handwashing/sanitising, especially before eating during breaks. All classrooms will have sanitiser for hands and disinfectant/paper towels for desks/equipment.
- Not share drinks or food – bring a water bottle as bubblers will be out of action and only bottle refill stations operating.
- Maintain physical distancing whenever possible. Classrooms are set up to accommodate the 1.5m space between students.
- Bring all their own equipment including pens, calculators, BYOD with charger, glue and anything else required.
- Year 9/10 students will be able to loan a device through the library for the day of learning at school.
- Cough or sneeze into their elbows/cover their mouth if necessary to avoid spreading infection. Avoid touching your face.
- Use soap, sanitisers and other health items in a responsible manner – ideal to bring own sanitiser
- Not participate in ball games during break.
- Come directly to school each morning, and after school go directly home – no going via the local shops or park.

If we all adhere to these guidelines we can be confident in this phased return to school. Furthermore, additional cleaning is being undertaken with special attention to cleaning of desks, doorknobs, bathrooms and other surfaces.

**Students who do not adhere to these health and safety requirements will be reminded of our expectations. This may result in the student being sent home and/or being the subject of the school discipline procedures.**

### **Transport**

- School buses and trains will be running at normal times and routes before and after school.
- Students will be expected to sit separately wherever possible.

### **Uniform**

- Students are expected to wear their full school uniform on the days they attend.

### **Canteen**

The canteen will operate, however:

- Limited foods will be available - pies, sausage rolls, nuggets, sandwiches.
- Students are asked to place a lunch order in the morning to minimise queues and ensure availability of food.
- Physical distancing measures are in place.

### **Frequently Asked Questions**

#### **Do I have to send my child back to school or do I have the option to continue Online Learning?**

*The government and Department of Education are encouraging students to return according to each school's Phase 1 Plan. We believe it is in the interests of students' learning and wellbeing. However, it is not compulsory. Please notify the school clearly stating your child's name and year group if you intend for them to continue learning from home or if they are absent for another reason.*

#### **Can I change my child's day of attending school?**

*Generally, NO, to enable us to manage a complex and challenging variation of routine. To allow us to comply with Department of Education guidelines we ask that you send your children on the day designated. Please contact the relevant Deputy Principal for further discussion if you have a special circumstance for asking to send your child on an alternative day.*

#### **Can you clarify how students learning will proceed?**

*In Phase 1 all classes are still set up on online learning platforms. Whether at school or at home, students will be engaging in the online work in class time. On their designated day, students can seek clarification and assistance in class time directly from the teacher. For Year 12 students there will be face to face teaching in the lesson, with work still available online for students unable to attend.*

#### **What about excursions and assemblies?**

*At this stage everything additional to classroom teaching and learning is on hold.*

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