

08 October 2020

Dear Year 7 Students and Families,

Thank you for all your support and hard work during this second period of *Learning from Home*. Whilst it has been a challenging year, you have done an amazing job. Congratulations.

We are all looking forward to having Year 7 students back on Monday. We've really missed having you onsite. I imagine that you are keen to get back as well, and that your family (who have also done a great job this year) are also keen for you to return. It is certainly a sign that we are over the worst in Victoria and that our lives are getting back to what we know to be more 'normal'.

With this letter, we have included:

- a) An updated *Return to Onsite Learning Guide* for students and families, and
- b) Some tips for families to support students in returning to school.

To assist with the transition back to school; students and families are reminded of the following:

- Up until Cup Weekend students can wear either their winter or summer uniform. After Cup Weekend, it will be summer uniform only.
- The Canteen will be open from Monday 12 October.
- Students need to wear a mask, to and from school, and whilst at school.
- Students will need to bring a drink bottle as drinking fountains cannot be used.
- Food cannot be shared.
- Frequent handwashing is encouraged, and hand sanitizer is provided throughout the school, and will be used at the beginning and end of class, and as it is needed throughout the day.
- Entry and exit to the school is via the Theodore, Arthur and Winfred Street gates.
- Wednesday will be a normal 8.40am start.
- As there are currently no afterschool activities, students are asked to go home straight after school.

- The Language Centre will be open for those who need to attend Homework Club or who wait for their families.
- Year 7 students took home their locks at the end of Term 2. Please make sure that you bring these back.
- Access to the school site is restricted to school staff and students.
- Where possible, parents and carers are asked to contact the school by phone, rather than visiting.

To support the health and wellbeing of all students and staff, our school will continue an enhanced cleaning routine. This includes additional cleaning staff and progressive cleaning throughout the day to ensure that risks of transmission through high touch surfaces are reduced.

Should you have further questions, please call the school and we will do our best to answer them.

Again, thank you for your continued support and patience during this time. We look forward to welcoming Year 7 students back to the classroom.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Christina Utri', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Christina Utri
Principal