

10 June 2021

Dear Students and Families,

We look forward to welcoming students and staff back to onsite learning tomorrow, Friday 11 June. Thank you to students, staff and families for all your work over the past two weeks. Whilst we are now quite good at transitioning to remote and flexible learning, it is never the same as learning at school and certainly requires resilience, persistence and patience from all involved.

With this letter, students and families will receive a link to the updated *Return to School Guide for Students*. This will also be emailed to students directly.

Friday 11 June 2021

The school day will begin with an additional **20 minute homeroom** so that students and staff can discuss the COVID safe practices and also just touch base with each other. Periods 1 and 2 will be reduced to 50 minutes to accommodate this. Normal homeroom will still take place before or after recess.

Changed timetable arrangements for Friday will be as follows:

8.40am:	Locker Bell
8.45am:	Homeroom (additional)
9.05am:	Period 1 (50 minutes)
9.55am:	Period 2 (50 minutes)
10.45am:	Normal Day 5 program

Return to School: A Quick Guide (More detail in the Return to School Guide)

To ensure that the transition back to school is as safe as possible; students and families are reminded of the following:

- Face masks need to be worn when at school, inside and outside, and whilst travelling on public transport. The mask must be fitted and worn correctly, covering the nose and mouth.
- Students must stay at home if they are unwell and are encouraged to get a COVID test if they have even mild flu or cold like symptoms.
- Frequent handwashing is encouraged; 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.

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- The Canteen is open.
- Students need to bring a drink bottle as drinking fountains cannot be used.
- Food cannot be shared.
- Entry and exit to the school is via the Theodore, Arthur and Winfred Street gates.
- Students cannot enter or exit via the school office or the entry beside the office.
- In Week 9 there are no after school activities, except tutoring and homework support. Students are asked to go home straight after school.
- A decision on after school activities for Week 10 will be made next week.
- The Library and Rooms 36 and 37 will be open for those who need to attend Homework Club or who wait for their families.
- Access to the school site is restricted to school staff, students and essential visitors.
- Where possible, parents and guardians are asked to contact the school by phone, rather than visiting. Families are asked not to congregate outside the school.
- If families do come to the school, they will need to use the QR code at the front office.

Years 9 and 10 Exams

These will start on Wednesday 16 June as per the timetable that has been distributed to students.

Exam Correction / Report Preparation Day

This has been moved from Wednesday 16 June to Friday 25 June. Students will now finish for Term 2 on Thursday 24 June, 2021.

The school will continue an enhanced cleaning routine. This includes 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. It will be great to see everyone back tomorrow.

Yours sincerely,

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