

## **General Information**

Dear students, parents/carers and staff

The purpose of this email is to provide you with as much information as possible so that you and your child understand all of the details about the activities for Year 12 in the coming weeks and months. Please read all information carefully. Please feel free to contact the school if you have any questions or need more information.

### **Year 12 Lessons Week 10, Term 3**

Week 10 Term 3 (Monday 21 to Thursday 24 of September) are normal school days for Year 12 and all students are expected to attend all timetabled lessons. Students are required to participate in these regular classes in preparation for their HSC.

A Picnic Day is organised for **Friday 25 September**. Students are reminded that the learning of other students during this week should not be disrupted and that any misbehaviour or damage to the School will be dealt with in accordance with Mount Annan High School's Fair Discipline Policy.

Picnic Day Friday 25<sup>th</sup> September will be held at Mount Annan Botanic Gardens. Students will meet at Mount Annan High School in appropriate clothing at 8:45am for Roll Call and then walk to the Botanic Gardens where they will spend the day with their peers. Lunch and drinks will be provided on the day, students can bring other food/drinks they would like to eat. Students will return to school before 3:00pm for normal school finish.

### **Lessons Week 1, Term 4**

During Week 1 of Term 4 (Monday 12 to Friday 16 October), regular timetabled Year 12 classes will operate, with a particular focus on preparing students for their HSC examinations. All students are expected to attend.

### **HSC Examinations (Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> October – Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2020)**

The location of all of the HSC examinations will be in C Block. The School will be administering COVID-19 safe protocols consistent with the APHHC guidelines to minimise disruption and maximise safety for all students - (see attached documents for more information). Student's must attend the examinations in full school uniform and are required to stay for the full duration of the examination. Students who experience illness or misadventure during the HSC examinations should contact Mrs Marlin and they will need to complete the NESAs form within a week.

**Mobile phones; electronic music devices/headphones; wristwatches and/or written material are not permitted in the exam room.**

**If we encounter a positive case of covid-19 within our school during the exam periods the exams will be relocated to Elizabeth Macarthur High School on that day and the following day only whilst the school undergoes the cleaning process. More information will be forthcoming if required.**

## Formal

**Day:** Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2020

**Venue:** City Beach Function Centre – Wollongong  
1 Marine Dr, Wollongong NSW 2500. (02) 4228 3188

- Meet between 5.00pm and 5.30pm on the grass or beach directly near City Beach Function Centre for photos with family and friends. There is a large grassed area across the road or beach/Light House for photos (see attached photo). There is a coffee shop and Steamers Bar & Grill for parents to utilise if needed.
- At 5.50pm we move into the City Beach Function Centre Pearl Room and deck area.
- Food service will commence from 6.15pm
- The evening concludes at 10.00pm.
- If you wish to arrive early and have more photos, there are many popular places for photographs around the function centre. Many Formal photos are taken on the grass hills in front of Wollongong Lighthouse and at the Wollongong Harbour on calm days, approximately a 1 to 2 minute drive from the function centre. A word of caution, the Lighthouse sits on an exposed hill which can get windy in the afternoons. Many a Formal and Wedding hair design has been blown away by the prevailing southerly winds.



## Sign Out Day, Graduation Practice and Graduation

- Students are to assemble at the School Hall. The sign out process itself will take place in the Movement Studio where Head Teachers will sign students out of the relevant subject areas.
- **ALL** school materials must be returned and signed off on or before this day. This includes items such as text books, computer equipment, etc.
- Everyone **must sign out** during this allocated time period. If you cannot sign out at this time, see Mr de Gruchy **before the day** so that alternatives may be arranged. This will only be done in exceptional circumstances.

- **Everyone must sign out before they can graduate.** If you do not sign out, then you will be placing your position in the Graduation Ceremony at significant risk. Please be at the sign out on time on Monday morning.

Students are **not** required to wear school uniform to their sign out. However, neat and appropriate clothing must be worn at all times when on the school site.

**Day:** Monday 16/11/20

**Sign Out:** 9.00am – 10.00am School Hall

**Graduation Practice:** 10.00am – 11.00am School Hall (Compulsary)

**Graduation:** Time and location to be advised.

### **Graduation Rehearsal**

- Immediately following the sign out procedure, **all of year 12** will be required in the hall to be fitted with a graduation gown and for a rehearsal for the evening's Graduation ceremony.
- At the conclusion of the rehearsal students are free to leave the school grounds.

### **Graduation Ceremony**

We are hoping to hold the Graduation Ceremony on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> November. In keeping with Department of Education and NSW Health guidelines, we are currently working on the best format that will permit the parents and families to attend this occasion.

The Graduation Ceremony is a formal assembly and all students wanting to participate in the graduation ceremony are to wear full school uniform.

It has been a very rewarding experience for all Staff associated with Year 12 2020 and we would like to take this opportunity to wish all Year 12 students and their families a safe and happy future. We look forward to seeing you all at the Graduation Ceremony next term.

If anyone has any questions with regards to sign out or graduation please do not hesitate to contact the school on 46480111 or alternatively send an email to [mark.degruchy@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:mark.degruchy@det.nsw.edu.au)

### **HSC Result Day Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2020**

On the day of HSC Results getting released we would love to see students come into school to share their successes. A BBQ will be provided for them at 11:00am and students will be handed a 2020 Year Book in recognition for their time at Mount Annan High School.

Kind regards,

Ken Bates

**Principal**

**17<sup>th</sup> September 2020**