

Year 11 Information update Monday 4 May 2020

Hi Year 11,

I hope you are all doing reasonably well considering the circumstances we are in. We have developed a plan to get you back on track working towards a full-time return. We have had to wait for advice from NESAs, the Department of Education and the Premier to formulate this plan.

Year 11 will return to school from 12 May two days per week, Tuesday and Thursday. A revised timetable will be introduced which allows students and teachers to attend classes with minimal contact with other students. Each day will only have three lessons, each being 100minutes each with a break of 30 minutes between them. Each day will have three different line subjects as follows:

		Tuesday	Thursday
Pd 1	8.50am – 10.30am	Visual Arts Modern History Society and Culture Early Childhood Physics Construction	Music Photography Business Studies Biology Earth and Environment Food and Beverage (Hosp)
Recess	10.30am – 11.00pm		
Pd 2	11.00pm – 12.40pm	Legal Studies Modern History PDHPE SLR IT Multimedia IT Timber	Drama Ancient History CAFS SLR Chemistry Design and Technology
Lunch	12.40pm – 1.10pm		
Pd 3	1.10pm – 2.50pm	English Adv English Stand English Studies CEC	Maths Adv Maths Std1 Maths Std2 Ancient History

Rooming

Room allocations will be done this week and sent to you via your email and on google classrooms. There are a few classes that are below 11 and will therefore take place in a normal sized classroom. Specialist rooms that are large enough to maintain safety such as Science labs, CAPA and TAS rooms, all other lessons will take place in double classrooms in A and C block and the demountable library. We may also use the performance space when drama is not on.

Staff

In most classes you will have the teacher you started the year with. Some courses teachers have been changed and we have three new teachers in the school who have joined us this term. As you may be aware, we are told teachers are far more susceptible to this virus than children and because of this we may have some teachers who are not able to attend school until phase 4. We have 25 staff members who were classified as 'vulnerable', most being teachers. If your teacher is unable to attend school until phase 4, when all teachers and students return full time, we will find a substitute teacher to take your class in their absence. If this is not possible your teacher will continue to teach

your class via zoom. This lesson could take place at home or at school, whichever suits you and where you have access to technology. We will discuss this with individual classes over the next week once we establish which vulnerable staff will be attending. The Department of Education is providing a ruling on vulnerable staff this week. We have many great staff who are prepared to come in to teach their year 12 class and perhaps their year 11 class despite putting themselves or their family at risk.

Technology

The Department of Education has promised to supply laptop computers for our year 11 & 12 students who have no access to devices. These devices were supposed to be delivered to our school last term in week 10. As they had not arrived, we have now given those students laptops from the schools supply. We have very limited stock due to the vast number we lost in the library fire and have not had them replaced yet while we wait for the library refurbishment to be completed. When the new laptops arrive we will swap them with the school laptops.

Roll Call, Attendance and Playground

Rolls will be marked each lesson and you are expected to attend. If you are unable to attend due to being sick please inform the school on the day. If you are unable to attend as your parents would like you to stay home due to Covid19 please inform the school and the absence will not be recorded as 'absent' but 'flexible'.

Each day you are at school there will be another year group in attendance (year 7 on Tuesday and Year 9 on Thursday). They will have roll call at 8.50am in the quad. When that bell sounds please make your way to your first lesson for your roll to be marked. Recess and lunch will be at a different time to the other year group on the day.