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Education for a Sustainable Future

Newsletter
Friday 15th
May 2020

Change of Email Address

New school's email address:

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Diary Dates

Note: below details are subject to change

May

- Monday 25th** Student Free Day
- Tuesday 26th** Grades Prep, 1 and 2 students return to school
- Friday 29th** Year 7 application forms due

June

- Friday 5th** Curriculum Day - No students
- Monday 8th** Queen's Birthday Public Holiday - No Students
- Tuesday 9th** Grades 3,4,5 and 6 students return to school

Principal's Report

STAGED RETURN TO FACE- TO- FACE TEACHING

As advised in my correspondence earlier this week, all Victorian government schools will commence a staged return from remote and flexible learning to face to face teaching. Stage 1 will commence on Tuesday 26th May with students in Prep, Grade 1 and Grade 2 returning to school.

During this time, Remote and Flexible learning will continue with students in Grade 3, 4, 5 & 6. Grade 3, 4, 5 & 6 students will return to school from Tuesday 9th June.

On-site supervision during Stage 1:

On-site supervision will continue to be available for students in Grade 3, 4, 5 & 6 who cannot be supervised throughout the period, Tuesday 26th May to Thursday 4th June. Please ensure on-site supervision forms are completed by 3:00p.m on Thursday of the week prior to requiring on-site supervision.

Please note, Monday 25th May is a pupil-free day enabling staff to plan for a successful transition back to school. Additionally, Friday 5th June is a School Council approved curriculum day and no students are required to be at school.

IMPORTANT CHANGES REGARDING A PHASED RETURN TO SCHOOL

Restrictions on access to school site - Anyone other than immediate school staff and students should not enter the school grounds. Parents should not enter the school grounds unless it is for an essential reason. Under these circumstances, parents are required to report at reception, practise physical distancing and hand hygiene practices.

Pick up and drop off times - To minimise congregation during pick up and drop off times, allotted times for Prep, 1 and 2 families will be announced in next Friday's newsletter.

Teachers will be timetabled to supervise students during pick up and drop off times.

Strict Hygiene – Students will be encouraged to practise strict hygiene practices at home and at school.

School Bus - The school bus will be operating on the same timetable with enhanced cleaning and physical distancing maintained from adults i.e bus driver. We encourage families to utilise the school bus service as this will help minimise the congregation of adults at school entrances.

Wushka-DIGITAL READING PROGRAM

By the commencement of next week, all students will have received a unique username and password allowing access to levelled online readers. Your child's username and password will be available on Google Classroom next Monday. Access to Wushka will be available all year and will form a part of our reading program.

MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING SUPPORTS

Cobaw Community Health Service is open and taking referrals. Anyone requiring support can access either Generalist Counselling or Family Violence Counselling and requesting either the Counselling Intake worker or the Family Violence Intake Worker:

Phone: 1300 026 229 (1300 0 COBAW)

EMAIL: admin@cobaw.org.au web: <https://www.cobaw.org.au/>

Have a great weekend!

Andrew