

5 June 2020

Dear Year 9 and 10 students

### **Re: Returning to school, Tuesday 9 June**

We are very much looking forward to welcoming you back on Tuesday. We appreciate the work that the Year 9s and 10s have put in during the past eight weeks in some very challenging circumstances.

As I am sure you are aware, while you are returning and we are aiming to run the School as 'normally' as possible, there will be some differences, at least until the end of this term. As some of the older year groups in the School we will be looking to your leadership – formally and informally – so it is very important you lead by example as well as being conscious of the work the Year 11s and 12s have already put in to the areas below.

It is also important that you understand that all of us, staff and students, will not enjoy some of these changes, but as a whole community we need to be guided by them to protect the vulnerable amongst us, inside and outside of the School.

### **Physical distancing**

- In corridors and classes, particularly during lunch and recess we need to continue to physically distance as we have been all around Australia for the last three months. This will not feel natural, but we must continue to do it, so when a teacher nags you, understand this is not about them or you, but again about protecting those more at risk, who we love.

### **Hand washing**

- Whenever you enter a school building there will be hand sanitiser at the doors, please make sure you clean your hands.
- Make sure you wash or sanitise hands before and after eating.

### **Canteen**

- There will be 'X's marked out as to where you should stand when queuing.
- There will be a limit on numbers in the canteen.
- Paying will be cashless - please use the Flexischools app or EFTPOS.

### **Recess and lunchtime**

- The Prefects will rearrange the Toppin Room, Max Darcey Room and Conference Centre by removing chairs from tables to ensure/encourage/promote physical distancing.
- The School Gymnasium will be open but for use on a roster basis.
- No 'physical' contact play at recess or lunch for the remainder of the term.

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### Morning Admin

- Mentor rooms will open at 8.00am each morning.
- Please head to you mentor group rather than hanging around by lockers.

### Lesson endings

- Your teacher may let you leave your class a little early if you are on the Senior School campus for recess and lunch. This is to avoid crowding the locker and canteen area.
- You will be allowed to leave school at 3.25pm each day if you are on the Senior School campus. This is to avoid crowding at the lockers. It is important that you organise yourself and leave the School grounds quickly rather than hang about.

### Haircuts and shaving

- Shaving – should be done when we see you back, you know the drill!
- Hair – you know the score here too!

Please talk to any of us should you have any questions or concerns about returning to school. We realise it might seem strange to return to some of these requirements. However, the more we keep to them and encourage others to do the same the more likely it is that we will be able to remove the restrictions more quickly.

We will see you on Tuesday!

Yours sincerely



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