

LEARNING UPDATE - 38

Friday, 5 November, 2021

Working so that our students feel they are known, understood, valued and learning.

Prayer for Year 12 Commencing their HSC Exams

Dear Lord, We ask for your blessing on each student undertaking HSC Examinations over the coming weeks.

In this extraordinarily difficult year, we ask you to hold each of our students in the palm of Your hand.

Grant them the clarity of thought to calmly comprehend questions and effectively plan and articulate their responses.

May they be enriched by the gifts of the Holy Spirit - Wisdom, Understanding, Fortitude and Knowledge.

May their faith and piety give them the strength to face the challenges of this examination period and the satisfaction of achieving their personal best.

> We ask these things in Jesus' name, Amen St Clare and St Francis, Pray for us.



Dear Parents / Carers,

Students **are not to attend** school under any circumstances if they have COVID symptoms. Students at school with symptoms will need to be picked up immediately.

We are looking forward to all of our students being on site from Monday.

All students are expected to attend school on site.

If there is a specific reason your child **cannot** return to face to face learning, please contact the relevant Leader of Learning Pathways.



Please be aware that **masks remain mandatory** for all students in every indoor space and students are encouraged to also wear them in outdoor spaces for their own safety. Students must bring their own mask to school every day.

In order to create a safe space for all students to return, we have to take the following steps:

- We have organised classes so, as much as possible students are in learning spaces where we can maximise the ventilation;
- Years 7, 8 and 9 will be limited to one section of the school;
 - They will access school via the main entrance
 - The section will include a basketball court and students will have access to all handball courts;
 - The learning spaces are in a particular area of the school to limit movement
 - Students will have separate access to the Canteen
- Years 10 and 11 will be limited to a different section of the school;
 - They will access school via the main car park entrance from Buckwell Drive
 - The section will include a basketball court and a volleyball area;
 - The learning spaces are in a particular area of the school to limit movement
 - Students will have separate access to the Canteen
- Year 12 students will complete all their exams in the D Block area of the school.
 - They will access school via the car park entrance from Colebee Cres.
 - Only Year 12 HSC students sitting an exam, the exam supervisors and a very small number of our staff will be able to access this area of the school.
 - This area is completely self contained.
 - Once students have completed exams they will be required to immediately leave the site.

NOTE: Further information about Year 12 2021 HSC Exam Protocol was sent yesterday and has been attached again <u>HERE</u> for your convenience.

PLEASE NOTE: In the event of a COVID infection of one of our Year 12 students we may need **at <u>very</u> short notice to ask a cohort of students at the school to stay home** so that the HSC exams can continue safely. If this were to be the case the initial communication of this would be via SMS

HSC 2021 Livestream Blessing with Bishop Vincent

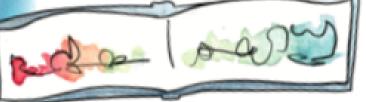
This Sunday evening, 7 November at 8pm, via <u>Catholic Youth Parramatta's</u> <u>Facebook page</u>, Bishop Vincent and a small team will be hosting a livestream event for HSC students and their families.

The pre-recorded livestream will feature messages of support from clergy, appearances by some Year 12's, and a reflection and blessing from Bishop Vincent over a 20 minute period.

We aim to give Year 12 students, their families, and our Diocesan community a short, but special window to celebrate their dedication and perseverance during a difficult year.









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