

Dear all

My Updates seem to be coming thick and fast at the moment but there are lots of things happening and I like to keep you informed.

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The most recent parent webinar from Elevate (the group that provide the study skills program to our students) was well attended by families from Mosman with over 75 families tuning in.

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Elevate have decided to run a final webinar for this term focusing on essay writing.

> <https://get.elevatecoaching.info/au/schoolwebinar>

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1. Strategies for improving your child's study routines while the coronavirus threatens their productivity.. 2. Learn the "behind-the-scenes" secrets that Elevate's coaches share with their coaching students that get them top marks each year.. 3. Access the parent community to see how other parents are coping and what you can implement today.. 4

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> In this Essay Writing Masterclass, Elevate will show:

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> The importance of goal-setting in essay writing

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> How you can provide real-time support & feedback to speed up the process of improvement

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> How students can begin to self-assess their work so they can become independent writers

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The webinar is run live online from 7-8 pm (AEDT) on Wednesday 30 March where the presenter will share Elevate's key research and skills, and will conduct a live Q&A so you can ask them questions directly.

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If you are unable to make the webinar, don't worry! If you sign up to attend, you'll receive the webinar recording on Thursday morning.

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On another matter, I would like to discuss the provision of buses to the school at the end of the day. As almost all of our students live between the Spit Bridge and the Harbour Bridge freeway the majority of school buses at the end of the school day go along Military Road to Neutral Bay and Cremorne. They effectively cover the areas our students live including a bus to the Northern Beaches.

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However what is happening is that the students think that the school buses are slow to leave at the back of the school and choose to catch the public buses that travel along Military Road. This afternoon forty students attempted to board a public bus that was already full of the public in front of the RSC.

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Sadly the buses at the back of the school are leaving almost empty and from our observations are moving more quickly than the public buses along Military Road. From tomorrow, we will not be allowing students to catch the bus in front of the RSC. Also, I have informed all our students that if they catch a public bus using their student Opal Card this does not give them the right to take a seat from a full fee-paying adult. Of course this is just for your information and to keep you informed of any initiatives we take at school.

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Bits and Pieces:

- despite the weather the build is progressing at a pace with the foundation cores being drilled and filled with cement
- Akoosticum concert has been moved to Wednesday 6 April at the RSC
- last Friday we had a visit from Sarah Mitchell (Minister of Education) to launch a great product for the partially sighted
- Year 7 and 9 have completed their NAPLAN practice tests and should be good to go for the real test in May
- our Open Boys basketball team are regional champions ... who hoo!!
- our girls netball lost by one point in a great game against Asquith Girls

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Finally, COVID is impacting on our school just as it is in the community. Almost all years have some students who have tested positive for COVID and we are working hard to keep all classes going in their usual format as some staff are also testing positive and have to self-isolate. Please ensure that if your child has COVID or is a close contact in your household that they isolate for 7 days as per NSW Health requirements. I would like to thank teachers who are taking many extra lessons to keep our school running smoothly and of course the many casual staff who support our school.

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> As always my best wishes

> Susan