

PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE Friday 14 October 2022

Welcome back to term 4. While I hear the weather in Sydney was mostly rainy, I nevertheless hope you had an opportunity for a break with the family and some fun.

Year 12 have started their HSC examinations and there were many smiling faces after the first English paper on Wednesday. The hardest part is in the lead up to the exams and getting over first paper nerves. However once that paper is over students quickly settle into a routine and before they and their families know it they have finished. On behalf of our whole school community we are wishing them well for their exams.

Year 11 have also completed their Preliminary exams and have chosen their subjects for their HSC year commencing next week. Most students have dropped a subject as they only require five subjects for the HSC. Some have picked up extension subjects and are looking forward to this challenge.

The art camp held in the holidays went well with Year 10 and Year 11 students having three days of immersion at Bundanoon. The quality of their work is extraordinary and we are hoping to have a small exhibition to showcase their work.

The Year 8 camp is fast approaching and Year 8 have until Sunday to get their registrations finalised online. I know the coordinator Mrs Smith is hoping to have all registrations finalised today. If you have a concern ring the school or email us.

For Year 7 parents it must seem hard to believe that your students have only a few weeks to go before they finish Year 7 and move to Year 8. How quickly the year has gone.

This term we will be issuing second semester reports, having Presentation Nights and Sports Award ceremonies and a school concert just for starters ... so another busy term. By the way in the holidays we found out that students will have their last day at school on Friday 16 December, one day earlier than originally gazetted.

Regarding COVID and the changes from Friday 14 October regarding isolation. From the School and Department's perspective:

- Any student or staff member is to stay home if they are sick
- the school will continue to notify parents if a student in a year group identifies with COVID
- students and staff are only permitted to attend school if symptom free
- if exposed to COVID and the person has no symptoms, they are required to wear a mask
- the school strongly encourages mask wearing and RAT checking
- if students need more RATs, please ask them to see me
- Just to confirm ventilation is a priority in classrooms, we have plenty of sanitiser that is located around the school and still thousands of masks
- Extra cleaning is still being provided and HEPA filters also used in smaller classrooms

I am looking forward to term 4, one of my favourite terms in the year. Don't forget any student concerns the solution is just a phone call or email away.

Best wishes
Susan

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