

The Wheeler Word



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Term 2 Week 9

Thursday 25 June 2020

Acknowledgement of Country

We would like to acknowledge the Aboriginal people of the Gai-maraigal and Garigal land as they are the true caretakers of this land. Underneath all the concrete and buildings this land is, and always will be theirs.

Erin W – Year 6

BULLYING - SAY NO

Congratulations to Ruby L (4E) who has been selected as a finalist in the Say No to Bullying Poster Competition for Australian Primary Schools. Due to COVID-19, the organisers were unable to have their usual award ceremony at Government House but Ruby will participate in a special online ceremony tomorrow, Friday 26 June. Well done Ruby and thank you to Miss Earl for coordinating our participation in this very important event.

HALL CURTAINS AND SCHOOL FLAGS

We are very excited with our beautiful new curtains recently installed in the hall. Special thanks to Michelle Begley & the very professional team at **Nuevue** for doing such a wonderful job. Our school leaders inspected the curtains yesterday & were highly impressed. The curtains will certainly assist when concerts and performances are held and will also benefit the acoustics of the hall for band and musical events.

Also, we have purchased a fabulous new flag stand to display the Australian, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags. This portable flag base will also allow us to move the three flags around the school when we have events at different locations.



ENROLMENTS FOR 2021

We will reschedule School Tour dates for Term 3. Obviously if current guidelines do change then we will be forced to reschedule again.

If you have a sibling due to start school in 2021 please see the school office for an enrolment form. Also please be sure to remind your friends and neighbours to enquire about enrolment for next year.

EDUCATION WEEK

Education Week is usually held in early Term 3. As we have done in previous years, we plan to delay our Education Week events to coincide with the new Library Lane Bookshelf Project. We have been overwhelmed with families volunteering to create a book for our fabulous display. The date for the unveiling will be early in Term 4.

YEAR 5 OPPORTUNITY CLASS (OC) 2021 PLACEMENT TEST

Students currently in Year 4 recently received an email with details about sitting the Year 5 2021 OC Class Test. The test will be held on Wednesday 16 September and all applications are to be made online.

Applications close tomorrow Friday 26 June.

2020 DATES

Thurs 2 July Multicultural Public Speaking finals Yrs 3-6 (no parents to attend)

Fri 3 July MUFTI DAY
TERM 2 ends

TERM 3

Mon 20 July Staff Development Day

Tues 21 July School starts for all students

Mon 27 July PCS High School Extension Test
P&C Meeting 7pm – ZOOM TBC

Mon 17 Aug P&C Meeting

Thurs 27 Aug School Photo Day

Sun 6 Sept Fathers' Day

Thurs 10 Sept Bushlink Yr 3 & 4

Wed 16 Sept Yr 4 OC Test

Mon 21 Sept P&C Meeting

Fri 25 Sept Term 3 ends

TERM 4

Mon 12 Oct – School starts for all students

Mon 12 – Wed 14 Oct Yr 5 & 6 Camp TBC

Wed 14 Oct Kindy 2021 Information Night TBC

Thurs 22 Oct School Disco TBC

Mon 19 Oct P&C AGM – TBC
Ballroom Dance @ Homebush TBC

Thurs 22 Oct Kindy 2021 Transition 9:30-10:45am TBC

Thurs 29 Oct Kindy 2021 Transition 9:30-10:45am TBC

Thurs 5 Nov Kindy 2021 Transition 9:30-10:45am TBC

Wed 11 Nov Special group Photo Day

Mon 30 Nov – Wed 2 Dec
Yr 4 Camp @ Milson Island TBC

Tues 1 Dec Yr 6 High School Orientation Day

Wed 16 Dec Last school day of 2020

SEMESTER ONE SCHOOL REPORTS

Due to the COVID-19 situation and the Learning from Home program, our Semester One reports will be in a modified format. The reports will be emailed to all parents in the final week of this term.

RESTRICTIONS BEING RAISED

As you will have heard, some COVID-19 restrictions are beginning to be eased. Please see the attached Department of Education guidelines for parents and also carefully read the new arrangements for our school listed below.

Some activities will recommence next Term and many are still to be determined.

As government and education regulations change we will inform you.

Currently these are the arrangements:

Band Lessons & Private Tutors – recommenced this week.

Winter PSSA - cancelled.

Summer PSSA – will recommence in Week 9 of Term 3.

Pittwater & Sydney North Cross Country & Athletics Carnivals - cancelled.

Ballroom Dancing for Year 5 - will commence in Term 3.

Gymnastics for Kindy & Yr 1 - will commence in Term 3.

Athletic Skills for Yrs 2 & 3 in Term 2 – cancelled.

Yoga for Kindy & Yr 1 will be rescheduled for Term 4.

School Excursions- cancelled for Term 2. To be determined for Terms 3 & 4.

Canteen – will continue just with online orders for recess & lunch. There will be no over the counter sales for the rest of this term.

Uniform Shop - orders online for the rest of this term.

Special Dance Groups - cancelled.

School Choir & Wheeler Wailers – will continue in school with no outside performances.

School Camps for Years 4-6 in Term 4 - still to be determined.

School Assemblies - Very limited with no parents to attend.

School Photos - rescheduled for 27 Aug (classes) and 11 Nov (Special groups).

Maths Olympiad (Yrs 5 & 6) – will continue in Term 3.

Multicultural Public Speaking finals will be held on Thurs 2 July with no parents to attend.

University NSW ICAS Assessments - will proceed as scheduled.

Scripture/Religious Education & Ethics - will recommence in Week 2 of Term 3.

Peer Reading - will recommence in Term 3.

Kindergarten 2021 Tours & Information Evenings – New School Tour Dates have now been confirmed & will be on the school website.

After school Special activities- have recommenced or will from Term 3. Details will be provided directly from these specialist groups (e.g. Keyboard, Mandarin, Chess).

Extra cleaning and hygiene practices will continue this term and Term 3.

All providers of special programs (Band conductors & tutors, Ballroom Dance, Gymnastics etc.) will provide a completed Department form regarding safe working practices.

All rooms will have hand sanitiser and tissues available at all times.

Non-essential visitors and parents are still encouraged NOT to enter the school premises.

Take care & stay safe.

*Mr David Scotter
Principal*

Mrs Wright's Wrap Up

WHEELER HEIGHTS WONDERFUL 'WOW' FACTOR

The old saying goes 'first impressions are lasting impressions' and we have added two more fantastic features to our already amazing school. As Mr Scotter mentioned earlier in the newsletter, this past week our hall has been retrofitted with brand new curtains and we also have a fabulous new flag stand, which proudly displays the Australian, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags.

The flags and curtains were first inspected by our School Leadership Team and were an instant hit. As the hall doors flung open, a chorus of 'whoas' and 'wows' quickly followed. After a quick tutorial and demonstration on how to use the curtains and set up the flags, our leaders had the following to say:

"I think it looks very professional." – Eva D

"It will come in handy for assemblies, talent shows, dance and drama." – Erin H

"The flags are great because it shows our respect to the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people." – Poppy S, Chloe B and Erin W

"It makes our hall look very formal." – Taj S

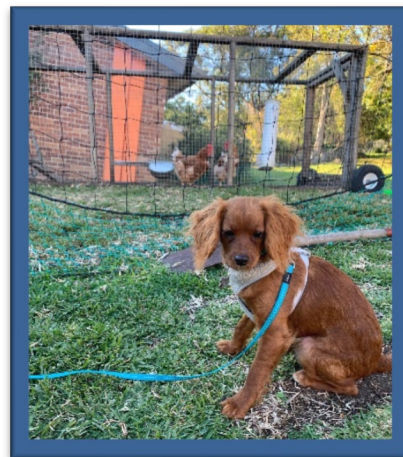
"It will be great to show during school tours and is a great talking point." – Josh S, Ewan M and Lennox C

We are extremely excited to be able to use these new additions in the future.

Thank you to Mr James for organising the training with the leadership team and this write up!

CARING COOPERATION AND CREATIVITY FOR OUR CLUCKY CHICKENS

Many people are involved in keeping our chickens fed and healthy. Mr Hewes, Mr Jones and Mr Jeffery are our chief chicken wranglers and with a team of amazing students they make sure our chickens have a wonderful environment to live in. Many families assist during holiday periods and with their health issues on the occasions we have needed it. What a wonderful team we have! Our hens are obviously happy as we receive eggs every single day. The educational value of this initiative is paramount but we have also found many wellbeing benefits across the school. Some students in our chicken team are ridiculously responsible and visit every morning to check on the hens. We are very proud of so many of our students and the responsibility they exhibit. Well done team!



NATIONALLY CONSISTENT COLLECTION OF DATA



Wheeler Heights Public School is participating in the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data (NCCD) on School Students with Disability. All Australian schools are required to collect this data in the NCCD in accordance with their obligations under the Disability Discrimination Act 1992 and Disability Standards for Education 2005. The data will be provided to the Australian Government to assist in the development of a consistent, national picture of the education needs of students with disability. The data provided to the Australian Government by the NSW Department of Education is provided in such a

way that it cannot be used to identify any individual student or school. General information about the national data collection can be found on the Australian Government website at <https://www.nccd.edu.au/tools/fact-sheet-parents-guardians-and-carers>. If you have any questions about the data collection, please do not hesitate to contact me.

INTERRELATE

Please see details later in the newsletter regarding upcoming Interrelate sessions on Wednesday 12 August. Many families have attended these sessions in the past and find the information provided to be extremely helpful and beneficial.

Please note these sessions are being conducted ONLINE due to COVID-19 restrictions. Interactive ONLINE sessions will be conducted through the secure Big Blue Button platform with families accessing the site using a code which will be emailed approximately one week before.

****Please remember it is extremely important that parents are present with children during these sessions.****

If you would like to take advantage of this opportunity please ensure the permission slip is returned by no later than 1 August 2020 as we need to provide all attendee email addresses to Interrelate for the access code to be forwarded to families.

For those families that have already returned the form in Term 1 (before the original date had to be postponed), the code will be emailed to your address that the school newsletter is sent to. If you would like it sent to a different address please advise the school via email by 1 August 2020.

Mrs Priscilla Wright
Assistant Principal
Instructional Leader



MULTICULTURAL PERSPECTIVES PUBLIC SPEAKING



The Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking Competition 2020

Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking Finals

**25TH ANNIVERSARY
CELEBRATION!**

The finals for the Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking Competition are being held in the hall next week. Stage 3 (Years 5 & 6) will be competing on Thursday morning (9:30am – 10:15am) and Stage 2 (Years 3 & 4) will be competing on Thursday morning (10:30am – 11:15am). Congratulations to the following students.

Stage 3 Finalists

5A – Evie D
5S – Kirra B
5/6B – Laura H, Mikaylah W, Lennox C and Taj S
6J – Maya L
6T – Josh S

Stage 2 Finalists

3J – Alex K and Elodie B
3Y – Rhys K and Ash H
4E – TBC
4RO – Mason K and Everett M



Unfortunately, THERE WILL BE NO AUDIENCE due to COVID-19 restrictions. We will endeavour to record all the finalists presenting their speech so we can watch the competition in class and email to parents. The adjudicators will be Mr Scotter and Mrs Wright. They will be choosing 2 winners who will be announced on the day. Finalists will be presenting their prepared speech based on one of a variety of multicultural topics provided last term. There will not be an impromptu section in our competition this year. Good luck to all speakers!

Miss Rachael Tekampe and Mrs Nadine Young
Public Speaking Coordinators

SRC NEWS

Poster Competition Finalist

Last term students were invited to participate in the annual Interrelate Say No To Bullying Poster Competition for Australian Primary Schools. Congratulations to Ruby L from 4E who was selected as a finalist by Interrelate from over 5000 entries. Due to COVID-19 the organisers were unable to have their usual awards ceremony at Government House but Ruby will participate in a special online ceremony tomorrow (Friday 26 June) which will be broadcast by YouTube Premiere at 1pm.

If you would like to watch the event please use the link below:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=egg-vlYtif0&feature=youtu.be>



Just for Fun Mufti Day

For the last day of term, Friday 3 July, the school will celebrate a special pyjama themed mufti day. There will be no gold coin collection. Students are asked to wear their pyjamas or onesies to celebrate the last day of a very unusual term. Students need to wear enclosed shoes.

Miss Earl
SRC Coordinator



SPORTS UPDATE



Unfortunately, Winter PSSA for 2020 has been cancelled. The Pittwater PSSA executive team had a very lengthy discussion in Week 7 after the announcement from Sydney North:

The School Sport Unit wishes to advise that all sport events (trials, carnivals, gala days and championships) have been cancelled for Term 3, 2020. "All NSW PSSA knockout competitions and NSWCHSSA state-wide (knockout) competitions have also been cancelled for 2020. The health and wellbeing of everyone involved is paramount and at the heart of this decision. We recognise the pressures that schools are currently experiencing and supporting staff and students remains our highest priority."

The difficult decision to cancel the winter competition was not made lightly. We understand that many children will be very disappointed but the health, safety and wellbeing of all students and teachers was at the heart of our decision. The Summer PSSA competition will resume as planned in Week 9, Term 3.

The teachers at WHPS are already marking lots of sporty plans for Term 3. Some of the exciting events for Term 3 are:

- ♥ WHPS Cross Country
- ♥ WHPS House Team Round Robin Competition
- ♥ WHPS Athletics Carnival (modified)

Stay tuned over the coming weeks for more information about sport in Term 3.

Yours in Sport,

Mrs N Young
Sport Coordinator

LIBRARY NEWS

Hey!

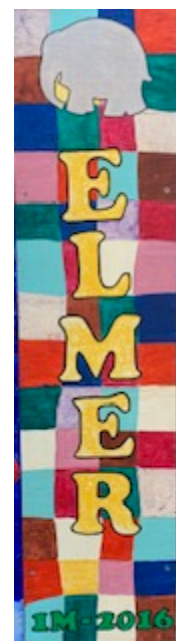
LIBRARY LANE 2020 EDITION

Wow! What an amazing response we've had to this year's Library Lane project. A lot of wood has been sent home so far and we still have many more families patiently waiting. We have recorded all your requests and as soon as we have some more prepared boards, you will receive them.

Remember **you have until Week 6 TERM 3 to have your masterpiece completed** so you have plenty of time.

IF YOU ARE A BUILDER WITH SOME LEFT OVER PLYWOOD THAT YOU MAY BE ABLE TO DONATE, PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL.

Trish McCombie - Organising Teacher



ECO WARRIORS NEWS

Another fabulous week in the garden! This week we did a lot of garden maintenance and watering. Ethan, Harley, Vaughn and Zandar have been absolute stars with our compost lately and have been following the olden compost rules of **ADAM**: **A**liveness (worms), **D**iversity (a variety of organic matter), **A**eration and **M**oisture.

We checked on and watered our lettuce, spring onions, leeks, spinach, silver beet, and broad beans as well as the newly planted flowers in our wheelbarrow. We have a bumper tomato crop at the moment, which Savannah, Cassie and Layla have been doing an excellent job tending to.

While we were watering, Aurora came up with a sustainable way to save water from a leaking hose, which we then used to water our greenhouse pots too.

While watering, we discovered that our poor lemons and limes have been nibbled by the cockatoos, so we had to rig up some netting to keep them away.

A huge thank you to the Lonsdale family who have volunteered to take our soft plastics to the supermarket recycling drop off point on a Wednesday.

Elizabeth Wilson
Eco Warriors Coordinator



**LOST
PROPERTY**
IS LOCATED
NEAR THE CANTEEN

**PLEASE
LABEL
ALL ITEMS
CLEARLY**



UNLABELLED ITEMS ARE
RECYCLED, DONATED TO CHARITY
OR RETURNED TO THE UNIFORM SHOP
FOR RE-SALE

Live Life Well @ School

HEALTHY & FUN DRINKS



Make Fruit Water Infusions

Try different combinations from ingredients such as cucumbers, oranges, lemons, berries or herbs.

Try using items from your own garden if you have them e.g. mint, rosemary, lemon grass.

Let your combinations infuse for about an hour and then enjoy the fresh taste! (add ice to suit)

Tip: compost the organic waste if you can.

Recommended daily fluid intake:

- 5 glasses (1 litre) for 5 to 8 year olds
- 7 glasses (1.5 litres) for 9 to 12 year olds

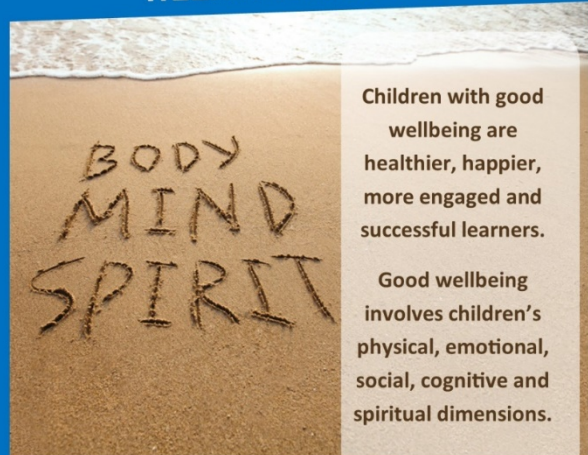
healthdirect.gov.au/hydration-tips-for-children



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Live Life Well @ School

WEEKLY WELLBEING



Children with good wellbeing are healthier, happier, more engaged and successful learners.

Good wellbeing involves children's physical, emotional, social, cognitive and spiritual dimensions.

Help your kids achieve better wellbeing with the help of the NSW Department of Education's *Weekly Wellbeing Challenge*.

Search for 'Weekly Wellbeing Challenge' at:
www.education.nsw.gov.au



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Wednesday 12 August 2020 **ONLINE**

overview & session outline

6pm - Session 1: Where did I come from? (Years 3 & 4)

Objectives

- To help children aged 8-10 years gain an understanding of the structure and functions of the reproductive system in males and females.
- To provide information on conception (describing sexual intercourse, associated with love in the context of a caring relationship), foetal development and birth of a baby.
- To provide opportunities for parents and children to discuss various aspects of reproduction in an informal way.
- To reinforce the role of parents as a source of information on matters pertaining to sexuality and reproduction.

Content

- Introduction
- Family structure and family relationships
- Male/female babies – which is which?
- Protective behaviours
- Male/female reproductive systems
- Sexual intercourse & conception including assisted
- Foetal development
- Twin explanation
- Birth
- Conclusion

7.15pm - Session 2: Preparing for Puberty (Years 5 & 6) (Years 3 & 4 at parent's/guardian's discretion)

Objectives

- To provide information on puberty for 10-13 year olds, in relation to the physical changes and emotional changes (in particular, helping them feel comfortable about their bodies and its functions; preparing them for the changes during puberty and dispelling the myths and providing accurate, understandable information).
- To help young people feel okay about being different. Everyone develops at a different rate, especially during puberty.
- To confirm their individuality and promote self-esteem.
- To facilitate communication between parents and their children and encourage young people to take their questions, problems and concerns to their parents.

Content

- Introduction
- Revision of Session 1
- How, why and when of puberty
- Physical and emotional changes to both boys and girls
- Changes to boys only
- Changes to girls only
- Why are these changes happening?
- Conclusion

Cost: **\$32 (incl. GST) per family to attend one session**
 \$37 (incl. GST) per family to attend both sessions

INTERACTIVE ONLINE SESSIONS

Permission Flyer

Session 1: Where Did I Come From?

Time: 6:00pm

Audience: Year 3 and 4 students and their parents/carers

Sessions: 1 x 60-minute session

Program focus:

- Discuss the male and female reproductive systems, foetal development and the birth process
- Personal safety and protective behaviours

Note: Older students are encouraged to attend if they have not previously seen this program.

Session 2: Preparing For Puberty

Time: 7:15pm

Audience: Year 5 and 6 students and their parents/carers

Sessions: 1 x 60-minute session

Program focus:

- Discuss the physical changes of puberty, emphasising that it can be different for everyone
- Develop students' understanding of periods and sperm production, as well as the physical, emotional, social and intellectual changes associated with puberty for both boys and girls
- Enhance awareness of children's personal safety and protective behaviours

Note: Younger students are welcome to attend at the discretion of their parents/carers.

Family cost: 1 session \$32 per family | 2 sessions \$37 per family

Please note that this cost is GST inclusive

Where: ONLINE - Interactive session through the secure 'Big Blue Button' platform

When: 12 August 2020

Please complete and return to your school with payment by 1 August (So code can be emailed prior).

Amount enclosed \$_____ (please make cheques payable to the school)

OR I have made an Online payment (POP). Description: *INTERRELATE*

My receipt no _____

Family name:_____

Email address (for code to be sent to for access to ONLINE program on the night) : _____

No. attending: Session 1: Where did I come from? _____

Session 2: Preparing puberty _____

Signed _____ Date _____

Parent / Guardian

P&C MESSAGES



Don't forget Tea Towels are still available! They are a great keepsake for your child's year.
Purchase at the following TryBooking link or cash via the school office.
Contact the Fundraising team if you are interested in a bundle offer!

<https://www.trybooking.com/BJKMP>




REMINDER TO FAMILIES

Rebel Sport & The Athlete's Foot at Warriewood and Warringah Mall support Wheeler Heights Public School every time you purchase from them and mention our school. If you have a rewards card for either of these, make sure you link Wheeler Heights Public School to ensure the benefits can be passed on.



COMMUNITY NEWS

**Lifeline** Saving Lives
Crisis Support. Suicide Prevention.

**GIANT
BOOK FAIR**

Brookvale
St Augustine's College
Federal Parade

JULY 2-5

Thursday 11-6
Friday 9-6
Saturday 9-5
Sunday 9-3



This guide is for parents and carers

A guide to NSW school students returning to face-to-face learning

Information has been updated as at 11 June 2020, until further notice.

In line with health advice, schools are operating full time, and many additional activities are now able to recommence

All schools have returned to full-time on-campus learning. With updated health advice and changes to state and national restrictions, schools are able to recommence the majority of school-based activities from either 15 June 2020 or the start of Term 3 (20 July 2020). Some activities are continuing to be considered.

The following principles underpin these guidelines:

- schools continue to be safe and operations are in line with Australian Health Protection Principal Committee (AHPPC) and NSW Health guidelines
- existing infection control protocols at schools, and new health and safety measures put in place will help maintain the health and safety of students and staff
- all activities permitted at school are safe and appropriate in a living with COVID-19 environment.

School students do not need to follow strict adult physical distancing guidelines, but should follow good hygiene practices like:

- regularly washing hands
- avoiding sharing drinks or food
- coughing or sneezing into your elbow, or a tissue which should be discarded immediately
- filling water bottles from bubblers rather than using the bubbler directly.



School attendance

All students should be at school unless:

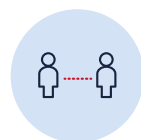
- they have a medical certificate which states that they are unable to return to school due to an ongoing medical condition and the expected timeframe
- they are currently unwell.



School activities/ school site usage

The majority of school-based activities can recommence, as long as the following measures are observed:

- all visitors and external to school providers must adhere to relevant hygiene, distancing and safety protocols
- principals may continue to restrict, limit or prohibit activities if they are seen as contrary to the current health advice
- external providers and visitors are required to demonstrate compliance with health and safety requirements including adhering to strict guidelines and completing relevant forms
- non-essential adults are still not permitted on school grounds or at school events – this **includes parents/carers** unless specifically approved by the principal.



Physical distancing

Physical distancing of children in schools is not required under the Australian HPPC guidelines. Research has shown limited transmission risk associated with school children in the school environment.

All adults must maintain physical distance from each other (1.5m) including teachers and support staff, and parents.

Schools should ensure school pick up and drop off arrangements enable parents to physically distance from one another and from staff.



School cleaning and hygiene supplies

Your school will continue to receive additional cleaning in line with the AHPPC guidelines and advice from NSW Health. Target areas include high-touch areas and other hard surfaces, door handles, lockers, light switches and handrails in stairways and movement areas. There will also be additional cleaning of toilets and bubblers and topping up of supplies like soap.

Your school has received supplies of soap, hand sanitiser, toilet paper, paper towels, disinfectant wipes and personal protective equipment. The school is able to order more as needed.



School activities return and timeline

Activities/site usage that can already take place:

- Use the school library
- Engage in non-contact sporting activities
- Canteens and uniform shops can open at principal's discretion
- Year 11 and 12 students only may attend classes/activities relating to subjects only available on other campuses is allowed

- VET work placement for Year 12 students is able to proceed from 1 June 2020. School based apprenticeships and traineeships can recommence once the relevant workplaces are back in operation
- Trade Training Centres can operate on school sites.

Activities/site usage that can take place from Monday 15 June 2020

- School assemblies (limited to 15 minutes and no external visitors)
- Choirs and performing arts at school, with safety protocols in place
- Students may attend other schools for essential curriculum related reasons or placements (e.g. auditions or placement tests)
- Hydrotherapy pools can be used
- Incursions/external providers can provide activities that support delivery of curriculum (e.g. music tutors, sport skills development programs, science demonstrations, drama tutors, Healthy Harold).
- Community use activities used by students such as dance classes, and student sport skills development, outside of school hours with limited adult attendance)
- Day field trips to outdoor locations with no physical distancing requirements can take place
- Face to face TAFE attendance (see TAFE website for further information)
- School photos
- Department of Community and Justice services and programs.

Activities/site usage that can take place from beginning of Term 3

- All school sport and activities including competitions aligned with current health advice (including those activities run by external organisations)



- Inter-school student events and competitions (choirs, sport, debating, public speaking, performing arts, Selective Sports High School trials etc)
- SRE/SEE lessons
- Work experience for students
- VET work placements can proceed subject to the availability of placement and appropriate risk assessments. For any that can't proceed, please see [the NESA website](#)
- School based apprenticeships and traineeships can recommence once the relevant workplaces are back in operation
- P&C meetings – with a strong preference for on-line where possible
- Parent/teacher meetings – where these need to take place – strong preference for on-line where possible unless involving serious matters that require face to face discussion
- Community use activities involving general adult attendance (such as community markets).

Activities under consideration from Term 3

The following events will be reconsidered in Term 3. For now these events must remain on hold.

- School camps
- Excursions (other than field trips explained above)
- Parent attendance at assemblies and other school events (e.g. graduation ceremonies or student speech events)
- Parent volunteers – e.g. parent reading helpers (note: canteen and uniform shop volunteers are permitted)
- Interstate excursions
- School based activities that involve large gathering of adults are not permitted at this time. These include parent/community gatherings such as parent functions, working bees, fundraisers, school BBQs, large parent information evenings, and large on-site cultural events. These large gatherings and the following activities will continue to be reviewed and assessed based on AHPPC and NSW Health advice and may be permitted at a later date.

Activities that are cancelled, delayed or not permitted

Certain large arts and sports events are cancelled or delayed because they require feeder activities and have long-lead time organisational arrangements. Please speak to your schools if you would like to know more.

International excursions are cancelled until further notice.



Reporting and assessment

You will receive your child's semester 1 report before the end of August (Week 6, Term 3).

This will be a simplified version of the report you normally receive. Schools are encouraged to discuss your child's progress with you before the written report is issued.



Responding to COVID-19 cases

There is a clear plan in place for schools to respond to any suspected or confirmed cases of COVID-19 in our schools. We are working closely with NSW Health and will communicate with parents if a situation arises. Find out more at the [response protocols page](#).



Transport

For travel advice to and from school refer to the NSW [public transport service](#).



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