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Week 3 B

Items in this week's edition include:

- COVID update – current cases in our community; updated guidelines; parent surveys; collection of RATS for Week 4 and 5
- School Photos
- School Vaccinations
- New staff introductions
- Senior School - Study arrangements



- **COVID Update** - We have received the next delivery of Rapid Antigen Tests and they will be issued to families from Wednesday of this week. Please follow this link to tell us how you would like to receive the test kits – we can give them to your child to bring home, or you can come to the school gate between 9 and 2pm to collect them.

<https://forms.gle/La43RG1T53FsQrdb6>

- Our school has been advised of students across a range of year groups in our school community who have recently **tested positive** to COVID-19. Some of these students have been onsite prior to their positive tests in Year 10 classes. Some of these notifications involve students who are isolating as household contacts across other year groups. We ask for all members of our school community to monitor for symptoms, do the twice weekly surveillance rapid antigen tests and report all positive cases to the school office and the Service NSW App.
- **School Photos** – emails with the details were posted to all families today; orders for photos are done online, or via the envelopes held at Student Services.

Photo Day = Wednesday 16th February

- **School Vaccinations** – please note that this is the usual school vaccinations program, NOT COVID 19 vaccinations!

NSW Health will be visiting our school on Friday 18th February to begin our 2022 NSW school vaccination program for year 7 students.

This program is for the delivery of the HPV dose 1 and dTpa vaccine only.

Students have been sent home with information and consent forms today. Forms must be completed in black or blue pen only and returned to student services by Friday 11th February.

- **Parent Survey from the NSW Department of Education** – Please spare a few minutes to complete the following about the government rollout of RATs to school students; this is important information to support further planning at a government level.

Dear parents and carers

Thank you for all that you've done to ensure that our return to school has been a successful experience for our school community.

I am sharing a short survey with you today about usage of department-supplied rapid antigen tests (RATs). This information will guide the department's future operational planning and help us protect the health, safety and welfare of all staff, students and communities.

The survey is completely voluntary and anonymous. It will take less than 3 minutes to complete. Your survey responses will not be linked to personal information about you or your family and will not be linked back to our school.

Please [complete the survey](#) External link by close of business on **Wednesday 9 February**.

[Complete survey now](#)

- **Senior School Study arrangements** – commencing this week, students in Year 11 and 12 have their Independent Learning Day every second Tuesday (Week B). After great success in 2021, we have continued to group together the traditional 'study periods' for students into one day – this allows for students to do regular work experience, part time work options, develop independent study habits and utilise the school resources in a more flexible way to develop themselves as young adult learners. Students CAN come to school on this day if they choose, with unlimited resources available to support their study time in the Peppertree Hub. This Senior School structure does not affect any attendance data for the senior students. If they are on site, they must be in uniform and sign into the Senior Study.

2022 Structures –

Junior School – Yr 7, 8, 9 - DP Mr Singh

Senior School – Yr 10, 11 12 – DP Ms

New Staff to EPHS – Welcome to our school:

Ms El-Tantaway – CAPA	Mr Kang - LaST
Ms Todd – HSIE	Ms Fletcher - SLSO
Mr Segalla – Maths	Ms Marriage - SLSO
Ms Nguyen – Science	Ms Macinante - SLSO
Ms Narayan – Science	Ms Woodbury - TAS
Ms Hamdan – Science	Ms Hoang - Japanese
Ms Tammel – Support	
Ms Tocakovic – Support	
Ms Patrick - Support	

Kind regards,



Mrs Brenda Quayle
Principal