



Erskine Park High School

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Dear Parents/Caregivers,

As you are aware, from next Monday 11th May, we are moving into Phase 1 of the Managed Return to School Plan as outlined by the NSW Dept of Education. Attached to this email, I have again included the document sent on the 28th April, 2020. We really appreciate the support of our school community and thank you in advance for helping us to maintain the guidelines with a staggered return to school.

Below is a summary of some key information –

- We ask that if possible, students only attend school on the day that is allocated to their yeargroup or class – this is the only way that we can ensure we are able to meet the social distancing guidelines, which are absolutely still in place as part of the NSW Dept of Health Public Order.
- All students will be split into small groups and will be working on their laptops to complete work in the Google Classrooms – the size of these groups will be arranged to meet social distancing guidelines and to reduce the movement of students and staff, minimising the number of surface touch points.
- Students may not be in class groups with their specific teachers – we are providing supervision for the completion of the online learning. Only Yr 12 students will have classes directly with the teachers for each of their HSC subjects.
- On the day that your child is scheduled to return to school, rolls will be marked and you will receive a text message asking you to confirm your plans for your child – if you have decided to keep your child at home until the school is operating as normal, please respond to the text message telling us that and your child's attendance will NOT be affected.
- All students are marked as Flexible attendance on the days that they are learning from home – we are monitoring student engagement in the online space and will only make direct contact if we have no evidence that your child is completing lessons.
- Students must attend in full school uniform – details for the hours of operation for the Uniform shop are attached to this communication.
- Students need to bring their own drink bottle – no bubblers can be used at this time. Bottle refilling stations have been installed in 5 locations around the school.
- Students need to bring their own device – please liaise with DPs if students need to borrow a device and cleaning protocols will be established for wiping down laptops when returned.
- Unfortunately, the canteen provider is no longer able to provide canteen services and we are currently trying to work out an emergency back up plan – students will need to bring food when they come to school until further advice.
- Students will not be allowed to share food or equipment – Health guidelines.
- Students will need to follow guidelines for social distancing at all times.
- Students MUST stay home if they are sick – Parents MUST NOT send students to school if they are unwell.
- Students may be asked to help in keeping desks and school equipment – this may include wiping desks with sanitising products regularly. Each student will only be responsible for their own desk.
- Students will be encouraged to engage in regular hand washing and the use of sanitiser.
- Students will need to remain in the allocated room and playground spaces.
- Students will be constantly reminded to remain 1.5m apart from other students and staff where possible.
- Students and staff will be reminded to maintain social distancing in corridors and when queuing
- Students will need to bring their own equipment including laptops, pens, books, calculators – no sharable equipment will be provided by staff.

- Students will be encouraged to cough and sneeze into tissues or their own elbows to avoid the spread of infection.
- Students will be encouraged to avoid touching their face.
- Students will not be able to play ball games during the breaks – no shared sports equipment.
- Students are asked to come directly to school on the allocated morning and directly home at the end of the day – no loitering in public spaces.
- We have replaced all taps in student toilets with single touch taps – this will make it easier for students to wash their hands within the guidelines.
- The Public Bus services are running as usual and they are responsible for monitoring the social distancing guidelines on the buses – school staff will encourage social distancing guidelines at the bus bay.

If there are any questions or concerns, please call the school office and your inquiry will be directed to the appropriate person.

We are hoping that if we can slowly transition through Phase 1, we will be able to move towards full operations as soon as possible. We will continue to follow the guidelines established by the NSW Dept of Health and NSW Dept of Education.

Thank you for your assistance in this strange time and we appreciate your ongoing support of your child in learning from home and starting to transition from next Monday. Please follow our Facebook Page for summarised updates and any other additional information - @ErskinePKHS

Uniform Shop

Hours: Wednesday 8.00am - 11.00am, Friday 8.00am - 11.00am

The following restrictions apply until further notice –

- No parents are allowed into the uniform shop.
- Students may come in and make a purchase.
- No garments may be tried on.
- No cash accepted in store.

We encourage you to purchase your uniforms online. Pass phrase is Erskine2013. Online orders can be picked up from the uniform shop or school reception when the uniform shop is closed. Online orders can be couriered, a fee of \$15 applies. Uniform shop will also be able to take phone and email orders. The online, email and phone order will be picked and packed when the store is open. Social distancing measures will be in place.

Please note that the store will shut on Wednesday 27th May.

Kind regards,



Brenda Quayle
Principal

8th May 2020