Stanhope Primary School

Stanhope Primary School is committed to creating and maintaining a positive and safe learning environment, where our children are protected from abuse and where we maximise individual academic and social growth through explicit teaching and taking responsibility for all our learning.

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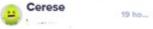
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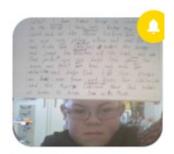
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REMINDERS & THINGS TO DO

JUST SOME OF OUR HARD-WORKING STUDENTS WITH THEIR WORK SUBMITTED ON CLASS DOJO



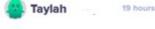


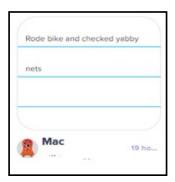




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DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday 25th May

◆ PUPIL-FREE DAY to prepare for students' return to school

Tuesday 26th May

Preps, Grade 1 & Grade 2
 students will return to school

Tuesday 9th June

- ◆ Grade 3-6 students will return to school
- PLEASE ONLY ENTER THE SCHOOL IF NECESSARY VIA THE MAIN ENTRANCE.
- USE HAND SANITISER WHEN YOU COME TO RECEPTION.
- HAVE YOUR TEMPERATURE TAKEN AT THE RECEPTION WINDOW.
- TOUCH AS LITTLE AS POSSIBLE.

From the Principal

Return to On-site School

Return To Not So Normal

I'm can almost hear the cheering from here! We have now been given definite dates for the return of students to Stanhope Primary School. All the details are explained in the accompanying letter from the Department.

While students will be returning to school, there will remain in place some significant changes in the way things are carried out. There will be strict hygiene practices in place and close monitoring of students hand washing and general behaviour to ensure the safety of students, staff and the wider community. As of today, all persons entering the school building will need to enter via the main entrance and be temperature tested, before proceeding. We are encouraged to maintain our behavioural practices of physical distancing and regular hand hygiene, well beyond the lifting of some restrictions. Parents are asked not to enter the school unless on essential business and not to congregate in the car park, pick up & drop off zones so as to maintain the appropriate physical distancing and COVID 19 safety guidelines.

Semester Reports

Students need to remember to upload evidence of each of the tasks they complete. All set work is part of the ongoing assessment that teachers do every day. There are the formal assessments, but teachers are continually looking at and assessing all student work to provide feedback and support progress and growth. If nothing is handed in, the student report will reflect this lack of evidence and effort. If students have made effort and submitted their work, their report will reflect this also.

Teachers will be sending out reports at the end of this term. The format will be slightly different reflecting the change in the teaching and learning delivery over the term so far. There will not be a scoring system as such, but more descriptive comments and a comment specifically on how your child managed and responded to the remote learning process.

Learning from home student and parent surveys available

These surveys are opt-in surveys and have been developed by the Department to capture the learning from home experience of students and parents. The link for the surveys will sent out when it becomes available via the 'Announcements' in your <u>uEducateUs app</u>.



Christine Owen

Now that we have definite dates for students to return to school, make sure your child is well prepared by establishing or re-establishing schoolday routines and schedules.

- Get up, have breakfast and be dressed in time for a 8.45am school day start.
- Make sure tasks are completed before a break.
- ♦ Continue to complete set tasks after a break.
- Remember, all tasks are being used to form the basis for student reports by the end of term.

<u>Café Lunch</u> Orders

Have been cancelled for <u>Wednesday 20th May</u> and will resume from 17th June.

FROM THE

Business Manager



Mica will still be in the office on Tuesdays and Thursdays. I am happy to discuss confidential payment options for fees or camps & excursions with you.

THIS LETTER CONTAINS IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR ALL PARENTS AND CARERS.

Dear parents and carers,

Thank you for all your support during these past few weeks of remote and flexible learning.

Following advice from the Chief Health Officer, the Victorian Government has advised that schools can begin a phased return to on-site schooling.

In the first stage, students in Prep, Grade 1 and Grade 2, senior secondary (Year 11 and 12 VCAL and VCE) students and all students in specialist schools will return to school from Tuesday 26 May.

To support all school staff to prepare for this transition, Monday 25 May will be a pupil-free day.

In the second stage of our return to on-site schooling, all other year levels will return to school from Tuesday 9 June.

For those students who cannot be supervised at home and vulnerable children, the existing model of on-site schooling will remain in place during the two-week period from Tuesday 26 May to Tuesday 9 June. The current process that we are using to enable parents and carers to indicate the days or part-days for which on-site schooling is required will continue for this two-week period.

All other students in these grades and year levels will continue learning from home until Tuesday 9 June.

Once a year level has returned, all students will be expected to attend school as normal. This means if you choose to keep your child/children home after their year level has returned to on-site schooling, we can no longer support their learning from home.

This does not apply to children who need to be absent for health or medical reasons. For those families, please contact us so we can make an appropriate plan.

This same approach is being taken by all government schools in Victoria.

To support the health and wellbeing of all our students and staff, our school will continue an enhanced cleaning routine and will encourage frequent hand washing.

If you child is ill or is feeling unwell, they must not attend school. They must remain home and seek medical advice.

While the Chief Health Officer has advised that students will not be required to maintain physical distancing at school, there will be a number of important changes to our school operations, consistent with health advice to all schools. This will apply until

further notice. I will provide more detail about our local school context as soon as possible, but it is important to note that changes will include:

- restrictions on access to the school site for anyone other than immediate school staff and students; that means parents should not enter the school grounds unless essential and then must minimise their time, practice physical distancing and hand hygiene practices.
- the way we conduct parent-teacher meetings and interviews

We understand that some families may feel anxious about this move back to classroom teaching and learning. I can assure you that this decision has been taken on the basis of the best health advice available to our state.

More information about the return to school and coronavirus (COVID-19) can be found on the Department's website, which will continue to be updated:

https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/department/Pages/coronavirus.aspx

Thank you for your continued support and patience during this time. We look forward to welcoming our students back to the classroom.

Yours sincerely,

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