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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

It is with great excitement that I welcome you to the 2022 school year. I extend an especially warm welcome to those families who are joining our Cardijn community for the first time. We deeply value the connection we have as a community, and this serves to support and enhance your child's experience as an integral part of the Cardijn family. Although this year is not going to begin in the usual manner, we are still looking forward to a wonderful year full of opportunities on the Cardijn Campus.

We welcome back our returning students, along with over 300 new students across years 7 – 12 on our campus. We eagerly anticipate the opening of our new building later this year and the incredible opportunities it will provide for students in the areas of STEM, soft technologies and the Arts.

There is much to be excited about as we look ahead to the academic year, however, of great importance at this time is the logistical information about how we will begin the year in the current Covid climate.

Community & Safety

- The Covid protocols require that all students wear masks when they return to school, and we ask that students supply their own mask each day. In emergencies or where students forget to bring a mask to school, a small number of spare masks will be available from student reception.
- Students must also wear masks when on buses, trains and moving through Colonnades Shopping Centre.
- Hand sanitiser is available across the school and we ask that students adhere to strict hygiene and physical distancing requirements to keep themselves and their peers safe.
- At this time, we are not permitted to have any external visitors onsite and for this reason any parent meetings will need to occur over the phone until the directive changes.
- We understand that some students may feel worried about returning to school in the current climate and we ask that you continue to reassure your child, reminding them of the school staff support networks in place for each of them. These include homeroom teachers, House Leaders, subject teachers, student counsellors and school leadership staff.

Learning

- On Wednesday 2 February, students in years 7, 8 and 12 will begin their face-to-face learning for a full day of school (8.35am – 3.23pm).
- This year, all students will need to be dropped off at the car park as visitors are currently not permitted on site as per the Covid-safe protocols currently in place. Our new students in years 7 and 8 will be enthusiastically welcomed by staff and year 12 students.
- On the same day, students in years 9, 10 and 11 will begin learning online through two platforms: SEQTA and Microsoft Teams.

- All students are familiar with these platforms as SEQTA is used every day by all students and Microsoft Teams (our interactive platform) was introduced to all students in 2021 through a homeroom training session in preparation for any potential disruption to learning as a result of the pandemic.
- Students in years 10 and 11 who are studying a Stage 2 subject are permitted to attend these classes face-to-face and then remain on campus for that day where they will be supervised to complete their remote learning for other subjects. This arrangement only applies to the days that these students have a Stage 2 subject on their timetable.
- The arrangement mentioned above is only for hybrid classes where a year 10 or 11 student is in a class with a year 12 peer. This arrangement does not apply when a whole class of year 11 students are studying a Stage 2 subject, most commonly, the Research Project.

Laptops

- New students needing to collect a laptop will receive a separate communicate containing the details of this arrangement, which will be a 'click and collect' model prior to school commencing.
- Any families with students in years 9 – 11 who experience any laptop concerns during the period of remote learning, are asked to contact our IT Helpdesk directly on 8392 9400. Appropriate arrangements will then be made to solve any challenges that occur.

Supervision of Children of Essential Workers

- As outlined in Dr Rijken's letter on Tuesday 18 January, vulnerable students and the children of essential workers in years 9 – 11, who require supervision during this period of remote learning may attend school where they will be supervised but still undertake their learning online.
- Please complete this [online form](#) by 9am Monday 24 January to confirm the dates that you require school supervision.
- Students in years 10 and 11 who are completing a Stage 2 subject and therefore remaining at school on those days are not required to complete this form as we are already aware of these students from their timetable information.

New Students to Cardijn

- An induction session for new students in years 9 – 11 will still occur and details of these arrangements will be sent directly to these new families.

Uniform

- On the first day of school, all students in years 7, 8, and 12 must wear their College summer uniform and from Thursday 3 February onwards, students should wear PE uniform, or their full summer uniform based on their timetabled subjects for each day.
- Students in years 9, 10 and 11 are permitted to wear casual clothes for their remote learning time, however these clothes must be appropriate according to the College casual clothes guidelines.
- Students must wear their uniform if they are attending school for supervision purposes as the child of an essential worker.
- Monday 31 January and Tuesday 1 February are officially student free days and, therefore, students may wear their PE uniform or their summer uniform.
- School officially begins on Wednesday 2 February and all students are wearing College summer uniform on this day if they are on the campus for face-to-face learning or remote learning supervision.
- All students on the campus at anytime from Thursday 3 February onwards must wear the correct uniform according to their timetable, whether they are engaging in face-to-face classes or being supervised at school as the child of an essential worker.

Buses

- The Willunga Charter bus service will run as usual, commencing on Wednesday 2 February.
- Families are reminded that to access this service they must have completed the required online form and submitted it to the College last year to register for this service.

Events & Activities

- Although it is disappointing that extra-curricular activities, excursions and camps cannot occur in the first four weeks of term, we are very excited to begin these programs as soon as the directive allows us to.
- Instrumental lessons and inter-school sports are not able to commence at this time, however, internal school clubs and activities are able to begin.
- We encourage all students to engage in the extra-curricular life of the College as soon as possible, and extend a particularly warm invitation to our new year 7 students.
- Masses, liturgies and assemblies are also postponed, and we will make alternative arrangements for these key College events in due course.

In Closing

The pastoral care of all of our students is of utmost importance to us at all times and if you have concerns during this time regarding the wellbeing of your child, please contact their House Leader or homeroom teacher. For matters relating to their curriculum, either face-to-face or remote, please contact your child's subject teacher.

We look forward to welcoming you all to the 2022 school year and hope to see you in a face-to-face capacity very soon.

Kindest regards,



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