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## #2 (Term 2) Principal Communication 5 May 2020 Implementation of Phase 1 Return to Arthur Phillip High School

As you already know from previous communication, there is a planned phased return of students from next **Monday, 11 May**. This is in line with Phase 1 Return to School model being implemented by the NSW Department of Education.

**Years 11 & 12 students are attending school Tuesday and Wednesday**

**Years 8 & 9 students attend Monday**

**Years 7 & 10 students attend Friday**

**Year 12 students with major works, Support Unit students and students who have been invited to receive additional assistance and support attend Thursday**

**All students can access their year group timetable:**

<https://sites.google.com/aphs.nsw.edu.au/aphs/home>

Timetables for week 3 available here!

timetables

**All classes 7-12 will follow the timetable and be taught by their regular teacher when at school, while days with Remote Home Learning continues as before.**

### **Expectations to ensure health and safety of all students and staff**

Safety is a priority during the COVID 19 pandemic. Students will be expected to behave in a responsible way, which recognises the importance of protecting the health of themselves, their peers, and staff, who are at higher risk of COVID 19. A few teachers will be working from home due to higher levels of vulnerability to COVID 19.

Students will be expected to:

- Stay home when unwell. Parents must not send students to school if they are feeling unwell. If a student is unwell during the school day, they will not be able to remain in the clinic. Parents will be expected to collect unwell students from school.
- Assist in keeping classroom desks and school equipment clean as directed by the teacher
- Engage in regular handwashing, especially before eating during breaks

Respect

Success

Responsibility





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- Not share drinks or food – bring a water bottle as bubblers will be out of action and only bottle refill stations operating
- Remain 1.5 m apart from other students wherever possible – this can be maintained in the classroom for students in Years 7 – 11 with approximately 25% in attendance each day. All efforts to maximise distancing will occur for Year 12.
- Maintain social distancing in breezeways and when lining up
- Bring all their own equipment including pens, calculators, BYOD with charger, glue and anything else needed as there will be NO sharing amongst students
- Cough or sneeze into their elbows if necessary to avoid spreading infection. Avoid touching face.
- Use soap, sanitisers and other health items in a responsible manner
- Not participate in ball games during break times due to infection risk
- Come directly to school each morning, and after school go directly home

If we all adhere to these guidelines we can be confident in this phased return to school. In addition, we have hand sanitisers on each homebase. Furthermore, additional cleaning is being undertaken with special attention to cleaning of desks, doorknobs, bathrooms and other surfaces.

**Students who do not adhere to these health and safety requirements will be reminded of our expectations and the school discipline procedures will be implemented.**

## Uniform

Students are expected to wear their full school uniform on the days they attend. In the colder weather make sure you purchase items to keep you warm that are part of the uniform (eg long school pants and APHS jackets)

## Canteen

The canteen will operate Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday for Recess 1 & 2 only. However:

- Limited food available - Chicken Burger, Beef Burger, Veggie Burger, pies, sausage rolls, Ham, Cheese and tomato toasted focaccia, Pasta and Sandwiches
- Online orders will need to be ordered BEFORE 8.30am using Flexischools  
<https://www.flexischools.com.au/>

Alternatively bring your own lunch and snacks.

## Your Q and A

**Do I have to send my child back to school or do I have the option to continue remote Home Learning?**

*The government and Department of Education are encouraging students to return according to each school's Phase 1 Plan. We believe it is in the interests of students' learning and wellbeing. Please notify the school clearly stating your child's name and year group if you intend them not to return.*



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## Can I change my child's day of attending school?

Generally **NO**, to enable us to manage a complex and challenging variation of routine.

## I have been sending my child to school full time as an essential worker. Can I continue to do this?

Yes – this has always been an option. However if this pushes a 7 - 11 class over 10 students then they will be supervised in a different location.

## What about camps, excursions, assemblies and band rehearsals?

At this stage everything additional to classroom teaching and learning is on hold.

We are greatly looking forward to seeing our students attend school – we have missed you.

Until next week,

Laretta Claus

