



South Grafton High School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Firstly, I would like to thank you for your patience and resilience in dealing with the whole COVID19 situation and although we are not all together at the same time, I would like to welcome everyone back to Term 2. During the first two weeks of this term, we will continue to deliver at home learning for our students. This is a blended model of paper based work packs and online lessons delivered via Google classrooms.

I have just taken delivery of 60 laptop computers and internet dongles. These are being loaned to families who do not have sufficient access to technology and/or the internet. Please contact us if you need to borrow any of this equipment.

For the remainder of this week and all of next week, students should be learning from home unless it is not safe for them to do so. SGHS is operational for students whose parents are essential service workers and for students that need to be at school.

Teachers will plan and deliver the same learning for students at school and at home.

The Premier and Minister for Education have announced a phased operating model for NSW schools during COVID-19. The new model will see students being returning to school on a part-time basis from Monday 11 May 2020.

What does a managed return to school operations look like for SGHS?

The plan is phased, and flexible, allowing us to slowly bring students back to school whilst still being able to respond quickly to new spikes in transmission if they occur.

Phase 1 of the return to school starts on Monday, May 11 (Week 3A). All students in the year group are expected to attend school on their allocated day(s). Please advise the school if your child is not attending school on their allocated day so that we can accurately record their attendance.

Mondays: Years 12 and 7

Tuesdays: Years 12 and 8

Wednesdays: Years 11 and 9

Thursdays: Years 11 and 10

Fridays: Years 12 and 11

Year 11 and 12 students will be following their regular timetable for the days they are onsite. Years 7 to 10 students will be supported to complete their online learning and involved in a range of practical activities during their day at school.

We ask that students bring a device to school (this includes devices that have been borrowed from school) as they will be accessing online content.

What is being done to ensure schools are safe during the phased return?

NSW public schools are regularly and professionally cleaned. Enhanced cleaning is being implemented across all NSW public schools. Schools will continue to implement appropriate social distancing measures proportionate to health advice at the time.

We will continue to support students with the implementation of good hygiene practices. These include:

- washing hands frequently with soap and water before and after eating, and after going to the toilet
- covering their nose and mouth when they cough or sneeze
- avoiding touching their face
- limiting physical contact when greeting people

The school canteen will re-open in Week 3.

For further information for families, please go to:

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/advice-for-families>