



8 October 2021

Updated Plan for a Return to Face-to-face Learning in Term 4

Dear Parents and Carers,

On 30 August 2021, communication was sent regarding the dates for a staggered return to face-to-face learning, based on the plan released by the NSW Government. On 7 October, Premier Dominic Perrottet announced a change in the NSW Government plan, directing all students to return to school by 25 October (with Kindergarten and Year 1 beginning 18 October).

Due to this, we have had to make adjustments to our return to face-to-face learning plans, and in consultation with CEDP, we have made some decisions that will facilitate a smooth transition to Box Hill.

Updated Plans for Learning for Primary students (K-4)

- Kindergarten and Year 1 will return on Monday 18 October to the Kellyville campus.
- Year 2 will return on Monday 25 October to the Kellyville campus.
- On Thursday 4 and Friday 5 November: All students will have **pupil-free days** in order for staff to complete the transition to Box Hill.

Updated Plans for Learning for Secondary students (7-10)

• From Monday 25 October to Friday 29 October:

Year 7 to 10 will continue remote learning, however all parents will be given the choice to send their child to the Schofields temporary campus for supervision, or keep them home to participate in remote learning.

We have made this decision for practical reasons, as we have already begun the process of packing up our resources at Schofields in anticipation of Year 7-10 students returning on Monday 8 November, the first day at Box Hill (the original date of return for Year 7-10 outlined by the NSW government).

Please complete this survey to indicate whether your child will be sent to school or learn from home in the week of 25-29 October - click here to access the survey

• From Monday 1 November to Wednesday 3 November:

Year 7 to 10 will continue remote learning from home, and general supervision of students will be offered to families who need it. This decision has been made to facilitate a smooth transition to Box Hill by giving staff sufficient time to finish packing up their resources on our temporary sites, as well as unpack and prepare their learning spaces at Box Hill.

• On Thursday 4 and Friday 5 November: All students will have **pupil-free days** in order for staff to complete the transition to Box Hill.





First day on our new site (K-10)

On **Monday 8 November**, all students (K-10) will return to face-to-face learning at our permanent Box Hill campus at 1 Lakefront Crescent, Gables. We will release details about the planning for this day in the coming weeks. For current details about our transition to Box Hill, visit our website by clicking here.

We would like to remind families that while on all school sites, masks or face coverings are required for all students in Year 7 and above, and all staff. It is highly encouraged for primary kids to also wear masks, where reasonable.

All students eligible for a vaccine will be strongly encouraged by the government to book an appointment. All parents who have not been vaccinated are strongly encouraged to get the vaccine as soon as possible. All school staff will be required to be fully vaccinated from 8 November.

It is our highest priority that our return-to-school plan brings students back in a COVID-safe way ensuring continuity of education, and protecting student, teacher and community safety.

We look forward to seeing our students return to face-to-face learning in the coming weeks.

Yours sincerely,

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