

Coronavirus Update – Wednesday 22 April 2020

Dear Parents, Carers and Staff,

Day 3 mission accomplished! Congratulations to everyone for the first three days of this new style of learning. Whether at home or at school, there has been a lot of great work achieved with only a few glitches. Thanks to the parents and carers at home who are supporting children and our incredible staff, working to support students at school and at home. You're awesome!

As I mentioned earlier in the week, we've been very overwhelmed by the number of students who require supervision at school over the next 5 weeks. My appeal to parents is if your child can be supervised and learn from home they need to do so. Your support and cooperation during these unprecedented and challenging times is greatly appreciated.

IMPORTANT MESSAGES

1. During this online learning period, teachers are still required to keep a record of students' attendance, both at school AND at home. This is a requirement of the Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA). This will be based on teachers having reasonable evidence of students' participation in online learning via Google Classroom, work submissions, Zoom lessons, google surveys, etc. In order to track students' attendance the following very simple procedures have been implemented.

How We Will Gather 'Evidence of Participation'

- **Prep and Year 1** parents will receive a short google survey each Friday asking them to indicate the activities their child has completed at home each week.
- **Year 2-4** students are required to submit tasks on a daily basis for teacher review and feedback. Teachers will regularly check on the tasks the students have completed as evidence that they are engaging with the online curriculum at home.
- **Year 5-10** students, whether at home or at school, are required to login, go to the Classwork tab in Google Classroom and answer the question/s for the day by 9:00am (Year 7-11) and 10:00am (Year 5 and 6). Look out for an email from Pastoral Leaders (Years 7-11), Anita Livingston (Year 5) and Adam Weier (Year 6) as they'll provide you with more detail.
- **Year 11 and 12** students are to continue following the process that their Pastoral Leaders, Ryan Christoffersen and Ramon Azpiri, put in place earlier in the week. They need to log in by 9:00am each day.

In all cases, teachers will contact parents if they are not seeing evidence that students are engaging with online learning.

We aim to start this process tomorrow and have any glitches ironed out by the end of the week. Starting on Monday 27 April, text messages will be sent to parents and carers during the day if their child hasn't logged in by the times mentioned above.

2. If your child is sick, etc. and is unable to participate in online learning either at school OR at home on any given day, please use the Absentee lines.

- Junior Campus: email absentjnr@ryan.catholic.edu.au or phone 4755 9988
- Senior Campus: email absent@ryan.catholic.edu.au or phone 4773 0188

3. If your family's circumstances have changed and you no longer require the device you borrowed, please return it to The Hub on the Senior Campus as soon as possible so it can be allocated to another family. Thank you to the families who've already done this.

4. Due to ANZAC Day ceremonies being cancelled across Australia because of the current Coronavirus pandemic, Australians have committed to commemorating the ANZACs by standing at the end of their driveway at 6:00am on Saturday and playing 'The Last Post'. We would like to help in this process by live-streaming one of our Year 7 students, Charlie Crocker, playing The Last Post from his driveway. So at 6:00am on Saturday, take your phone with you to the end of your driveway, turn up the volume and tune into our stream. We aim to be streaming live by 5:55am, ready to play at 6:00am.

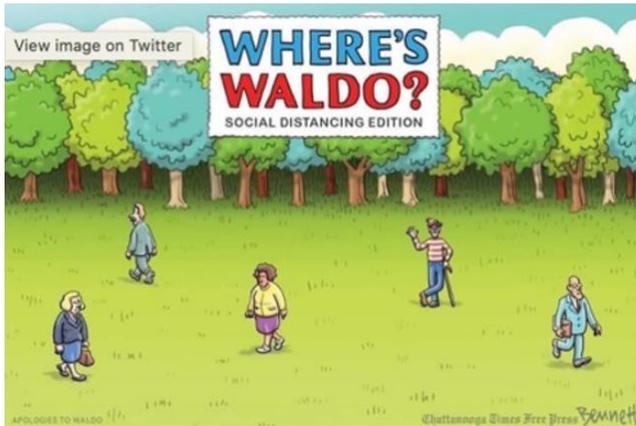
5. To ensure compliance with social distancing measures, please do not congregate in areas around the college (e.g. outside classrooms). Everyone entering or leaving the college grounds, should maintain a distance of 1.5m from each other.

REMINDERS

- Junior Campus Fun Runs scheduled for Friday 24 April have been postponed.
- Aussie Shirt Day for Prep to Year 12 students on Friday 24 April. Whether students are attending school or learning at home, they're encouraged to wear an Aussie shirt or jersey to show their support for the ANZACs and pride in their wonderful country. Let's get into the ANZAC spirit.
- Anzac Day liturgy will be live streamed from Emmaus Hall on Friday 24 April at 10:20am.

Remember to contact your child's teacher via email if you have any concerns about your child's learning. Please be mindful that teachers may not respond until the following working day, due to supervision, planning requirements, etc. We'll continue to work together to resolve any issues you're experiencing.

Be safe, stay strong and have faith.



Regards

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