

Dear Parents & Carers,

Weeks 1 and 2 Term 2 (29/4/20 – 8/5/20)

For the first two weeks of Term 2 (29/4/20 – 8/5/20) parents are requested to keep their child at home unless they are essential workers and require supervision for their child. During this time the school will follow the same processes and procedures that were in place at the end of Term 1. That is minimal supervision of students of essential workers, working independently.

The school will continue with one form of teaching delivery via distance education where all student work will be accessed via their Google Classrooms.

Weeks 3 Term 2 (commencing 11/5/20)

From 11/5/20 NSW Department of Education schools will commence Phase 1 of the planned return of students to school.

During Phase 1 Your child will return to school for **ONE day only**. It is an opportunity to provide face to face support and check in on students, and to help students review their learning.

The school has looked at a number of models and scenarios based on our unique school context. Decisions regarding which model to pursue we based on maximising student access to teachers and subjects while maintaining social distancing requirements. Below is the timetable of the day your child will be expected at school.

Your child should only be attending on their scheduled day (unless you are an essential worker who requires supervision for their child).

A Managed Return to School – Moorebank High School

What is Phase 1?

From Week 3 all students will return to school for ONE day per week. They will follow a modified timetable accessing most subjects within the day.

“Bringing every student in one day a week allows us to check in on every student, to check in that they're engaged with their learning, to check out their wellbeing, to see how they are tracking, to keep that relationship between the student and the school and the student and the classroom teacher as an absolute priority.” Mark Scott, Secretary NSW Department of Education

When should I send my child to school?

Not all students will attend school on the same day.

For students in years 7-10, look up your child's Mathematics class (you can find this on their timetable or google classroom) and then refer to the table below.

Students in years 11 and 12 will attend school on Thursday.

Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
From 12/5/20	From 13/5/20	From 14/5/20
7 Maths R, B & K	7 Maths O, E & M	All Year 11
8 Maths R, B, K & H	8 Maths O, E & M	All Year 12
9 Maths 4, 5 & 6	9 Maths 1, 2, & 3	
10 Maths 4, 5 & 6	10 Maths 1, 2 & 3	

All staff will be on site during these days to provide support to students.]

Students will need to bring their equipment, including their devices.

Your child should only be attending on their scheduled day (unless you are an essential worker who requires supervision for your child).

Extension Classes and Year 12 Major Projects

Extension classes

Individual classes will be contacted by their class teacher on the times that extension classes will run.

Year 12 Major Projects

Individual classes will be contacted by their class teacher on times that will be made available for students to work on the practical component of their major work, allowing access to specialist rooms and equipment. It is anticipated that students will be allocated time either before school on Thursday or during a substantial allocation of time during Monday or Friday. Further information forthcoming.

Moorebank High School's model for the department's phase 1 return to school has been established specifically in the context of the school. The structure also ensures access to subject specialists for our children. Students will be reviewing previous work and will be given explicit information on the expectations and requirements for the next body of work. Students will continue to access their work via their Google Classrooms.

Students should only be attending on their scheduled rostered day. The roster has been established to ensure that we meet department recommended guidelines with social distancing. Any student that attends on a non-scheduled day will be minimally supervised; they will not engage in the face to face support.

Hygiene and Hand Washing

- Each classroom being used by students will have alcohol-based hand sanitisers and tissues available. Hand sanitiser is also available around the school, including at the entrance of the buildings and in the toilets.
- Students will be reminded regularly throughout the day to wash their hands, to adhere to coughing and sneezing etiquette and to maintain social distance.
- There will be scheduled breaks between each lesson (each lesson will be of 45 – 50 minute duration) for students to access toilets and to clean their hands.

Canteen

The school's canteen will reopen on 12 May, 2020. And will remain operational weekly on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

Buses

I have also attached to this email the TRANSDEV update – 27 April 2020. Please be mindful that any issues or concerns with the buses needs to be directed to TRANSDEV. The school has no jurisdiction on their routes or time schedules.

Medical reminders

- Any child who is feeling unwell should remain at home.
- Any child that shows signs of illness will be removed from the learning environment and parents contacted to collect their child.
- After an illness a child should only return to school when they are symptom free.
- Regular hand washing.
- Cough or sneeze into your elbow or a tissue; discard tissue.
- Refrain from touching your facial area.

To continue to protect our children and staff at Moorebank High School, parents and carers are requested to make contact with the school either via phone on 96013999 or via email moorebank-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au rather than present to the school.

Further information regarding the new arrangements commencing 11 May 2020 will be forthcoming.

Kind regards,

Vally Grego

Principal

1 May 2020