

Year 11s: Update and Term 2 Week 8 2024

Dear Parents/Carers and Year 11 Students,

We would like to take the opportunity to highlight some key areas that are currently directly impacting the Year 11s.

Attendance

It is critical that students are attending all their timetabled lessons when required, including Home Group sessions and any timetabled Learning Centre lessons (these are a part of the school's Work Completion Policy). If students are absent, please remember to communicate this to the school and to the subject teachers (including the HG teacher) ASAP. Also please note and remind your child that attendance to Home Group is compulsory for Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday mornings.

When students are absent, they are expected to keep up with the work required via Daymap lesson notes. Students need to be accessing Daymap consistently (including over the weekends) to check for any changes to timetables (with Learning Centre enrolments) or other notifications. If students have issues accessing Daymap you can contact the school's I.T. department for assistance.

Uniform

The Year 11s have satisfactorily met the uniform requirements.

In the event a student is not wearing acceptable uniform, as per school policy, teachers will follow up. This includes requesting a signed note from parents/carers with a reason in their diary, which is then counter-signed by the Year Level Leader, providing a one-day exemption for their uniform. Ongoing uniform issues are not acceptable and will be followed up by leadership, which will include a conversation with parents/carers. Our main uniform concerns are shoes, jewellery, correct shorts, lengths of skirts/dresses (needs to be to the knees), fake nails, nail polish (other than natural colour) and false eyelashes.

Younger students look up to the year 11s as those who should be setting an example for everyone else.

We are seeking your support in ensuring that your student attends school wearing the required uniform.

Term 1 Report Reflection, Semester 2 Subjects and Parent-Teacher Interviews

It is critical that students reflect on their Term 1 report grades and consider the impact these grades have on their options for Semester 2 subjects, pathways into Stage 2, and future educational or career opportunities. We will review Semester 2 subject selections and offerings during the Home Group (HG) lessons leading up to the end of the semester, in preparation for the semester transition in Week 9. Achievement in subjects can significantly impact a student's ability to succeed in the South Australian Certificate of Education (SACE) and may affect their future pathways beyond school.

On Thursday of Week 3, an opportunity is available for parents/caregivers and Year 11 students to book a meeting to discuss progress in their subjects. Information on how to book these interviews has been distributed to families via Daymap. We hope that families will find this opportunity valuable and take the time to meet with teachers. If you are unable to schedule an appointment with your student's teachers, we encourage you to contact them via email to arrange an alternative time.

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Mid-Year Exams and end of Semester 1 – Term 2 Week 8

During Week 8 of this term, Year 11 students will have a slightly different schedule whereby they will be required to attend school for at least a double lesson for each of their subjects.

For those subjects with an exam equivalent for Stage 2, students will be undertaking a mid-year exam based on the topics they have studied already. *These exams are critical as they form an integral part of the Subject Counselling process. Students will be required to achieve a C+ grade or higher to be considered eligible for subjects in semester 2 of Year 11, and for Stage 2.*

For those subjects without an exam equivalent for Stage 2, double lessons will still be running to provide the students with an opportunity to continue their work in these subjects.

Attendance to scheduled sessions is compulsory and non-attendance will require a doctor's certificate.

Please see the proposed schedule below (subject to some potential minor changes). Exams will be conducted in the Flexis main collaborative space. Guidelines/rules for exams will be forwarded to students closer to exam week.

Please note: Subjects in **bold** indicates an exam for the subject; otherwise a normal double lesson will occur as per normal student timetables.

	Monday 17 th June	Tuesday 18 th June	Wednesday 19 th June	Thursday 20 th June	Friday 21 st June
8:45am – 10:45am	English Literary Studies	Modern History Art (Ms Brown) Res Proj (Mr Goult)	Psychology Music	Design (Ms Lewis) English (Mrs Nash) Ess English (Ms Shire) Outdoor Construct (Mr Craig) Woodwork (Mr Price) Res Proj (Ms Stamati)	EAL Maths Methods 1 Art (Ms Moeller) English (Mr Cetta) PE (Mr Bartlett) Wood (Mr Braley) Res Proj (Ms Fisher)
11:10am – 12:55pm		Ess Maths (Mrs Gill) Ess Eng (Ms Pudney) Hospitality (Ms Talbot) Res Proj (Mrs Nash)	English (Ms Muggleton) Metal (Mr Smith) Wood (Mr Barbato) Res Proj (Ms Sheahan)	Japanese Physics Ess Maths (Mr Craig) Hospitality (Ms Strawbridge) PE (Mr Read) Res Proj (Mr Goult)	
1:15pm – 3:20pm	Biology	Maths Methods 2	General Maths		Chemistry

If you have any questions regarding any of the information shared above, please get in touch.

Ms O'Brien-Dent will be on leave from Term 2 Week 3 until the end of Term 3. Mr Luke Agalidis will be acting Year 11/12 Leader in her place.

Kind Regards,



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