

Novel Coronavirus – COVID-19 Update: 13 Term 2 Arrangements

Dear Parents/Guardians

This update is part of the ongoing series of communications to College families about our response to the current COVID-19 situation.

Attendance

With attendance rates well above 85% since the beginning of Week 2, the College has instructed staff to focus their efforts on ensuring they deliver the highest quality face to face teaching. The classroom is where most families are choosing for their child/ren to learn. From Tuesday 12 May, students remaining at home will have access, at a minimum, to class outlines and set work on SEQTA (similar to Weeks 6-8 of Term 1).

PL Day

The next scheduled staff professional learning day is Monday 11 May. There are no scheduled classes for students on this day. Staff will be working on assessment and examination preparation and scheduling. To maximise classroom opportunities for the remainder of the term the **proposed staff professional learning days in Weeks 5 and 7 (Friday 29 May and Wednesday 10 June) will not take place.**

Curriculum Matters

- Assessments resuming (All years)
Students can expect new assessments to be scheduled from Week 4 (Monday 18 May). If a student was absent from a Term 1 assessment, they may be asked to complete the assessment as early as Week 3 (Monday 11 May). Some assessments from Term 1 may not be included in grading and therefore students may not be required to complete these tasks.
Teachers will update assessment schedules for Term 1 and Term 2 on SEQTA on Monday 11 May. The percentage that the assessment contributes to the overall grade may be adjusted at a later date.
Students who are absent from an assessment will initially be awarded a mark of zero (0). Students will be expected to complete the assessment upon return to the College. Once the assessment is completed and marked, the student's mark will be updated. Absences from an assessment must be explained to the College.
- Examinations (Years 9-12)
Year 11 & 12 students will be completing Semester One written examinations in Weeks 7 & 8 of Term 2 (8-19 June). Scheduling information will be distributed as soon as practical. Year 11 & 12 Practical examinations will be conducted on a course by course basis, with dates and times being distributed by the classroom teacher.
Year 9 & 10 Semester One examinations will **not** take place. It is anticipated that examinations will be conducted at the end of the year. Examinations at the end of the year test the concepts presented in Semester Two.
- Reports (All years)
Semester One reports will be issued on Friday 24 July. As always, the grades on Semester One reports are an indicative grade which represent the degree to which a student has demonstrated their understanding of the concepts presented.
- Online Materials

Kennedy students sign a Digital Citizenship College Agreement that outlines expected behaviours in the online environment. Online materials developed by College staff and provided to students is for viewing only and must not be re-recorded, edited or re-shared. Breaches of copyright and privacy laws will be dealt with by the College. Please ensure your child/ren understand the importance of the Agreement.

I would like to thank you for your support as we continue to navigate through the impact of COVID-19.

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