



2021 COVID-19 Update 3 2021 Commencement

Dear Parents, Guardians and Students

Following last night's announcement by the Premier, pending no further local cases, schools will reopen on Monday 8 February with some restrictions in place to ensure a safe environment for all members of our community.

Next week masks are required to be worn by all school staff and secondary students at all times. Teaching staff are permitted to remove their mask if teaching to enable clear enunciation.

All students are expected to provide their own masks. The operational use for masks will be explained in Form classes on Monday. For details on the type/quality of masks required, please refer to the [healthy wa guidelines](#). However the College will have a supply of disposable masks available from the Health Centre for anyone who needs one.

We have an exciting year planned at Kennedy and will welcome students next Monday. Please note the following:

- Years 8-12 students will be engaged in extended Form class for Periods 1 & 2 with normal timetabled classes commencing in Period 3. Please ensure your child brings all required texts, equipment, and uniform (including swimming gear)
- Year 7 students will attend their Form class at 8.45 am and spend time with their mentors to settle in during Periods 1 & 2. Normal timetabled classes will commence in Period 3. Please ensure your child brings all required texts, equipment, and uniform. Year 7 students are reminded to bring swimming gear for their Phys Ed classes during the next two weeks
- Normal uniform policy applies including students changing into their formal summer uniform after a PE/Dance class
- The Commencement Ceremony for Year 7s has been postponed to Monday 15 February at 9.00am. Further information will be sent out later next week
- Any parents, guardians and visitors to the campus are advised to wear a mask and will be required to use the QR code for the Safewa app
- During the first week of classes, staff will take the opportunity to simulate some aspects of online learning to ensure all students are familiar with the College systems.

Although our start to 2021 has been delayed by one week, we have adjusted the delivery of the curriculum to ensure that our students are not disadvantaged. We are conscious that the COVID situation in Western Australia can change at any time and are continuing to prepare for all possibilities regarding the continued delivery of educational services by our staff.

I am looking forward to seeing you all on Monday 8 February.

Regards

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