



Dear Parents,

I trust you had some time to relax with your family over the winter school break. Our staff have invested this past week at school to prepare for the semester ahead. We are all looking forward to welcoming students back on Monday.

COVID-19 Guidelines

Our leadership team is investing a significant amount of time to minimise COVID-19 risks to members of the school community. I would like to provide you with some updated information and some important reminders. If you have any further questions, please refer to our COVID-19 [website](#) page.

Coronavirus hotspots – If you have travelled to Victoria in recent weeks, please read the government [guidelines](#). I encourage all families to read the government [instructions](#) regarding what to do if you have been to specific locations in NSW recently.

Students and community members should not come to the school site if they have similar medical symptoms to the coronavirus e.g. cough, runny nose, fever. School families are encouraged to use the government [symptom checker](#). Adults, who are not school employees, who come on to school grounds are asked to:

- practice social distancing.
- always sign in at the front office and use the hand sanitiser on the front counter if they are doing anything other than dropping off or picking up children. Adults who are picking up children are asked to not go further than the breezeway/front office area and only stay as long as is needed.

Upcoming events

Secondary School Athletics Carnival - Students will participate in the athletics carnival at the Ridgeway Athletics Track on Friday 7 August (Week 2). We will contact parents if we need assistance with this event. Unfortunately only these parents will be able to attend. Mr Richardson will be in touch with parents about arrangements for the carnival.

During the holidays I received new information from the Association of Independent Schools (AIS) which is likely to change how we run other planned events this term e.g. Expression (2/9), Secondary School subject selection nights (Stage 6 - 13/8), the parent teacher nights (9/9, 15/9) and the Year 12 Graduation (late Term 3). There is a significant risk that we could plan these events, inform parents and then find that the government changes the regulations. To try and prevent the confusion that this could cause, please note the dates of these events and wait for the details we will send you closer to the date. Thank you for bearing with us as we plan these events.

School Reports



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Semester 1 school reports are now accessible via SEQTA Engage. Thank you for your patience regarding these delayed reports. I thought it was best to give teachers more time to assess student work after returning from remote learning, which meant that teachers finalised their reports during the holidays rather than at the end of Term 2. If you have any questions or concerns about your child's progress, please feel free to contact the appropriate teacher. We will send a hard copy of the reports to parents next week.

Kind regards,

Mr Brett Hartley
Principal