



Monday, 23 August 2021

Dear Park Ridge Parents/Caregivers,

Let me start this letter by thanking you again for your incredible support during a very difficult time.

I have been impressed not only with the way our students have returned to school, but with the way they have supported us with the wearing of masks.

You may all be aware of the announcement from the Minister of Health reducing some of the restrictions around mask wearing going into this week (August 23-27).

Those changes include:

- Masks only need to be worn in doors or on public transport where social distancing of 1.5 metres cannot be achieved

What does that mean for us as a school?

- Students can remove their masks during lunchtime, before and after school
- Masks will need to be worn **in class** and **on school buses**, as the required 1.5 metre distance rule cannot be achieved in these spaces.

Reporting Year 7-10

We realise that this term has been difficult for both students and families. Interruptions to learning, or difficulties with online learning can impact on the wellbeing of a child. To reduce some of the pressure, we will be reporting differently this term to make allowances for the impact of disrupted learning on our students in year 7-10. I will provide further information in terms of reporting this next week.

Reporting Year 11 & 12

Unfortunately, we do not have the same ability to make adaptations for our senior students in year 11 and 12. We have worked hard to make sure that all of these students are being closely monitored and provided with catch up sessions, to ensure the best outcome as they move closer to assessment and reporting deadlines. If you have a senior student who you feel needs more support, please contact our Senior Schooling HOD, Mark Biggs, to organise a meeting to discuss concerns and arrange further support.

Warm Regards,

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Principal  
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