

## Principal's Update

19 June 2020

Dear all

With only two weeks of school remaining before the school holidays, it seems that it is almost "Business As Usual" at school. As you know we went from Phase 1 (each year group one day per week) to Phase 4 with all students back at school in a fortnight.

As of this week we are almost at Phase 5, in that tutors for music and coaches for sport are back in schools providing those extra-curricular experiences that our students enjoy.

The only areas still requiring approval relate to having large school gatherings where parents can be present and of course school camps. While we have had to cancel the Year 11 camp for 2020, we are still hoping that the Year 9 ski camp may still go ahead. I anticipate having more information about this early next term.

We have changed the date for the Year 7 camp till the end of the year so that Year 7 do not miss out on this opportunity.

Thank you to everyone who participated in our first Year 7 telephone parent teacher night. While there were some glitches in the main it went well. This coming Wednesday evening (24 June) we will have another parent teacher night and this one will be for Year 11. With only one term before Year 11 commence their HSC year, discussion with teachers about choice of subjects for 2021 is important.

The following week on 30 June we will hold a Year 10 parent teacher night. The purpose will be to support Year 10 students in their choice of subjects for Year 11 in 2021. Parent teacher nights generally are from 4.00pm to 7.00pm.

As this point we are still deciding the format and time for Year 8 and 9. If in term 3 we are permitted to have parents attend the school in numbers we may revert to the usual format where parents can attend and meet teachers in the school hall. Again I will let you know early next term.

Year 12 will have received their timetables for their upcoming trial HSC exams starting in week 2 of next term and lasting two weeks. Students are only required to attend school for their exams and participate in StuVac. If a student is unwell on the day of exam it is important that they get a doctor's certificate and when well bring that certificate to the Head Teacher of the exam they have missed.

Thank you also to all Year 10 parents who attended the subject information Zoom meeting on Wednesday. There are further subject evenings for Year 8 and Year 9 next term and as with the other events mentioned above we will make a decision early next term whether we will use Zoom or whether we will be able to have a meeting in the hall.

Year 7 have received their reports and Year 8 will receive their report this Friday. Then the following Friday Year 10 will receive their report and on the last day of term Year 9 will receive their report. Year 11 will be given their report on Tuesday of the first week back at school next term.

Good news is that over these coming holidays the art block will be air-conditioned. This is being paid for by our P&C, so thank you to all parents for your contributions.

Finally, the City of Ryde and Lane Cove Council have partnered up to bring a webinar to build the capacity of parents of teens and those preparing for their children to reach their teens. The webinar is on 29th June 7pm and free for families to register.

The webinar is FREE to join and open to all parents/guardians etc. Registration is essential via the following link: <https://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/Events/Listing/Demystifying-Adolescents>.

A flyer is attached.

Best wishes

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DIGITAL WORKSHOP

## DEMYSTIFYING ADOLESCENTS

This free online workshop is a crash course in the developmental psychology of adolescents for parents and carers. You will learn how to understand and communicate effectively with young people.

Demystifying Adolescents is led by Michael Carr-Gregg, a high profile psychologist in Australia and known for his work in the prevention of youth suicide.

**When** Monday 29 June  
**Time** 7.00 – 8.00pm  
**Where** Online workshop

For more information and to register, visit [www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/Demystifying-Adolescents](http://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/Demystifying-Adolescents) or call 9952 8222.

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