

Principal's Update

16 December 2020

Dear all

Well we made it and what a year it has been!

2020 commenced as any other year in the main, but by the end of March we all knew a new term ... COVID and the education landscape for your children was changed.

On reflection our students have coped remarkably well with online learning and particularly Year 7 who had only been at Mosman for seven weeks and had to adjust to Google classroom and Zoom and most importantly not seeing their friends.

On reflection, some of the "New Normal" practices haven't been so bad. I have heard from some of you that the Live Stream for Presentation ceremonies and Encore Ensembles was able to be shared with family and friends overseas and interstate or viewed while at work ... that's a positive :)

Parent Teacher nights via phone call and Subject Information evenings via Zoom meant that parents could chat or watch from home or work and that provided flexibility.

So looking forward, hopefully 2021 will at least be more stable for our students. Just a reminder regarding return dates:

- Wednesday 27 and Thursday 28 January are staff only days.
- Friday 29 January, Year 12 commence at 9.00am and Year 11 at 10.00 am with an assembly in the hall.
- Then Monday 1 February, Year 7 return to an assembly in the hall while Years 11 and 12 have normal lessons.
- Tuesday 2 February, Years 8, 9 and 10 also return with an assembly on the COLA.

All years at their first assembly will be given their timetables and welcomed back by their Year Advisers. Years 7 to 10 will also be given a school diary.

New students will be given the opportunity to go to the library to meet the IT support so that their laptops will be able to access our WiFi.

Finally, I thank all parents and carers for your encouragement throughout this year. My staff and I are so grateful for the kindness and support you have shown us. While it has been a challenging year in many ways, I believe it has brought us closer as a community.

I hope you all have a wonderful Christmas and New Year and every good wish for the holidays.

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