

St Clare's Catholic High School

A Catholic school of excellence and improvement

9th July, 2021

Dear Parents / Caregivers,

You would be well aware now that as a result of the lockdown in the Greater Sydney area that learning, once again, will be delivered on-line for our students next week. This means that for Week 1, Term 3, remote learning will be in place.

In line with State schools, all Catholic Education, Diocese of Parramatta schools have been granted a pupil-free day on Day 1 of Term 3, Monday, 12th July. This will be an opportunity for all schools to use the day to plan for remote learning for the week. Although at St Clare's we had planned and scheduled a Staff Development Day, we have reorganised the day for the specific purpose of organising to support learning on-line.

As was the case during our previous lockdown, learning will be delivered via Google Classroom. We have maintained this as the main platform for all our courses since last year. Our students and staff are well used to this system. Our students have devices by which they can complete the necessary work.

If there are difficulties with your child's device, or they do not have access to a device while at home, please contact the school.

Please do not come to the school unless you have contacted the office and a time has been organised for you to be on-site. If you have organised to come to the school **you must be wearing a mask.**

There will, of course, be a small number of families where the parents are essential workers and where they may need to send their children to school for supervision from Tuesday to Friday. Some families may also need to send their children because they are vulnerable or, as a result of having no other alternatives.

Please understand:

- supervision will be provided, however, students will be doing the same on-line work they would be doing at home and students' usual teachers will not be supervising;
- the canteen will not be open so students will need to bring their lunch.

Please note that any **students** who may need to attend school **must be wearing a face mask** in all in-door settings. **If students arrive without masks they cannot be on-site at school.** Students will also need to have a mask for travel on public transport.

Teachers will be in contact with students with further information regarding arrangements for home learning in each course.

Please note that school activities organised in the coming week have been cancelled. Scheduled vaccinations have been postponed.

If you have any questions, please contact the school office for support. Stay safe and well: we're looking forward to welcoming everyone back to school as soon as this is possible.

Your sincerely,

Kevin Jones Principal