

Moorefield Girls High School

'Moorefield Matters' eNewsletter

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Dear Parent / Carer,

I hope you had a welcome change of pace over the holiday break and some time together without having to balance learning from home with other demands. This letter contains information regarding our roadmap to return under Level 4 and breaking news regarding immediate vaccinations in the box below.

The St George Hospital COVID vaccination HUB has Pfizer appointments available now for staff, students and their families

Book your Pfizer vaccine here before going back to school

The project Coordinator for the COVID 19 Vaccination HUB at St George Hospital, Kogarah has contacted the school today to support our school community with Pfizer vaccinations.

With face to face learning recommencing in the next few weeks, and those aged 12 years and over now being eligible for the Pfizer vaccination, our staff, students and their families have been given the opportunity to get vaccinated at the St George Vaccination HUB

They have appointments available now and they are also happy to accept walk ins.

Term 4 returns with learning from home

As our school is in an LGA that is still under stay-at-home rules we will continue to learn from home for the start of Term 4. It is important that you continue to keep your children home if you are able to work from home. While we are planning for our return to face-to-face learning and our teachers are completing their COVID-19 vaccinations there will only be minimal supervision for students on site and all students will be provided with the same work as they would be completing at home.

I know we are all excited about the coming freedoms available to those who are fully vaccinated in NSW but I ask every family to hold on just a few weeks more to give us the time we need to complete our planning for your child's safe return.



Return to school roadmap for Term 4

In Term 4, where stay-at-home rules are still in place but high community vaccination and low transmission conditions are met, students will return to school in a staggered approach for prioritised cohorts, with no mingling or on-site activities.

In the majority of schools students will return to face-to-face learning with NSW Health-approved COVID-safe <u>Level 3 plus</u> settings on school sites in the following order as announced by the Premier on 30 September:

- From 18 October 2021: Year 12 return to full time face to face timetables
- From 25 October 2021: Year 11
- From 1 November 2021: Years 7, 8, 9 and 10.

Students in our Special Ed classes should follow the cohort model above. The return to school roadmap is subject to change depending on new information expected through the Public Health Order and additional advice from NSW Health. You can stay up to date with the most recent advice on our <u>Advice for families page</u>.

HSC

(as per special newsletter emailed to Year 12 Parents and Carers 5/10/21)

From the beginning of Term 4, Year 12/HSC students can continue to attend school for revision, learning and wellbeing support and to have access to their teachers in a limited way.

We'd like to remind our students and families that from 18 October, all Year 12 and HSC students will have access to school campuses and their teachers. This will support them in the lead up to their exams.

HSC exams will proceed for all students from 9 November 2021 in a COVID-safe way, in line with NSW Health advice.

Wellbeing

Please take some time to check out the Department of Education's <u>wellbeing resources for students</u> <u>and families</u>. You'll find useful tools for mental health and Term 4 preparation. Please do not hesitate to reach out if we can do anything to help you and your children to prepare for the return to face-to-face learning or if you have any concerns about the return to school.

We are spending the first week back at school finalising our COVID-safe plans for a return to faceto-face learning and I hope to share these plans with you in the coming weeks.

Our staff have had a bit of fun putting together a video message for our school community which can be found on our website or Facebook page. Don't forget to "find the sun on a cloudy day".

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