

Moorefield Girls High School

'Moorefield Matters' eNewsletter

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Return to School procedures - 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

Happy New Year to you all and I hope that you have been safe and well over the holiday period.

It is somewhat disappointing that I am contacting you this week to continue our conversation about COVID safe procedures at Moorefield Girls High School. We have been having this conversation for 2 years now and I wish it was different.

However, we are committed to ensuring the safe return of our students and would like to share the following information.

Rapid Antigen Tests

Four (4) will be issued per student for the first 2 weeks of school. It is recommended testing is done at home Monday and Wednesday mornings before students leave home for school. More tests will be issued at a later date.

Collection will be on our School Development Days – Friday 28 January and Monday 31 January between 9am and 2pm. Please click on this <u>LINK</u> to pick a time for collection on Marshall St at Gate 3 and Year 11/12 students can collect these given parent permission (via the link).

Only positive results need to be reported to the school and via the Service NSW app. We ask you contact the school promptly so we can act on information quickly.

Masks

Wearing of surgical masks indoors is required for all staff and students in Year 7 and above. Students and staff can no longer wear cloth masks and the surgical masks must be worn properly at all times indoors. Masks will be provided by the school if required.

Visitors

Only fully vaccinated, essential visitors can come on a school site. For students in Year 7 starting high school on Tuesday 1 Feb, we ask that parents drop their child at the front gates. Staff will be there to greet them.

Students/staff who are unwell

Any student or staff member who is unwell and/or displays symptoms of COVID-19 will be asked to go home and stay until they can complete a RAT or PCR test.

- If symptoms continue, they should stay at home and take another RAT in 24 hours or have a PCR test.
- If the second RAT or initial PCR test result is negative and they are displaying no symptoms OR they are diagnosed as another condition such as hayfever, the student or staff member can return to school.

Cohorting

Students will remain with their own year group for classes and activities, such as year meetings. At recess and lunch, students can only go to their allocated playground areas (as we did in Term 4, 2021).

Cleaning, ventilation, physical distancing

Other COVID safe measures include additional day cleaning of all high touch surfaces, ventilation protocols for classrooms and physical distancing where possible.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss the return to school for your daughter, please call the school (9587 6095) or email us at moorefielg-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au. Our office will reopen on Friday 28 Jan at 8.15am.

Year 12 Camp

Unfortunately the Year 12 overnight camp (1st/2nd Feb) has been postponed and students are required to attend school in full school uniform for their normal program on these days. We hope to run this camp at a later date this term.

Stay safe.

Ms Natalie Hale

Principal

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Fri 28 Jan / Mon 31 Jan School Development Days (staff only)

Tuesday 1 February Years 7, 11 and 12 students return, 8.45am

Wednesday 2 February Years 8, 9 and 10 students return, 8.45am

