



Carey
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College
Harrisdale

Returning to School Week 2, Term 2 2021 Harrisdale Secondary

Dear Secondary Community

As you are aware there are changes to our operational guidelines this week due to the COVID-19 restrictions that have been put in place across the metropolitan area. Whilst we are working to minimise the impact on staff and students, we do ask for your support to ensure all members of our community feel safe and valued.

As announced Monday afternoon masks are required to be worn by all Secondary staff, parents and students for the next 4 days (except when undertaking vigorous exercise). Masks are not required for primary school students.

Students are required to equip themselves with their own surgical or reusable fabric masks. We recommend that if possible they wear a reusable mask, both for comfort and to minimise wastage. Masks should not depict images or logos that are inappropriate. The College will have a supply of disposable masks at the front desk if a student loses or breaks a mask. Non-compliance will be treated in the spirit of the Student Code of Conduct. Teachers will be permitted to remove their mask when teaching at the front of the classroom to enable clear enunciation, which is an appropriate accommodation. Students will also be allowed to remove masks in Physical Education classes that involve rigorous outdoor exercise.

To further reduce risk we are asking that parents avoid coming on-site unless their son or daughter is attending the College for the first time. If parents need to be onsite, please sign in at the front desk using the SAFE WA app and QR code.

As challenging as this will be for all of us again, please adhere to these requirements with respect, humility and integrity knowing that our actions speak louder than words.

Specific Events

- GATE testing has been rescheduled to Saturday 8 May from 9:00 - 12:00 (TBC).
- Music auditions have been rescheduled to Saturday 15 May (TBC).
- There will be no assemblies this week.
- Outdoor SAS and JSAS training will continue this week.
- 'Cheer' will not occur on Tuesday morning. Further details will be provided Tuesday afternoon.
- Excursions/Incursions will be modified or cancelled where necessary for safety reasons.

Other Changes:

- All students are to wear their PE uniforms all day this week.
- Music lessons and ensembles will continue as planned.
- Lunch orders will recommence as of Tuesday.
- Commencing Monday week 3 students are required to wear the formal winter uniform as detailed in the Student Diary.

Further adaptations to the term will be communicated via email.

Medical Exemptions

Students who are unable to attend school for medical reasons will be directed to work independently from home on SEQTA ([Student Portal](#)) ([Parent Portal](#)). If you, as a parent, are unable to log on to SEQTA please contact Rebecca Bennett who will be able to assist you.

The Government has allowed for mask exemptions in certain circumstances. Carey will manage exemptions in accordance with Government directives. If students have a medical exemption in accordance with the requirements, please contact Mr Harris or Dr Montgomery to apply for the exemption.

At all times throughout this journey, the College will prioritise the health of our staff and our students. Please demonstrate your support by adhering to all [Department of Health](#) directives. If your child is unwell, please do not send them to school at this time.

If you are new to this country or if you lack family support, please contact the following:

- Carey Baptist Church info@careychurch.asn.au
- Assistant Principal for Pastoral Care, Dr Carolyn Montgomery cmontgomery@carey.wa.edu.au
- Dean of Pastoral Care, Mr Nick Harris nharris@carey.wa.edu.au
- Your child's Year Manager

Yours sincerely

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