



DOMINUS LUX MEA
the Lord is my light

St. Dominic's College



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Dear Parents/Caregivers,

I hope that Online learning for Term 2 has been successful for you and your son(s) as we continue to meet the demands of these uncertain times. As you would be aware, the Premier of NSW has encouraged the return to face-to-face teaching for at least one day for all students commencing Week 3, Monday 11th May.

The St Dominic's Phase 2 Online Teaching and Learning has commenced for Term 2. It provides the College with the next part of the roadmap for a safe return to on-campus teaching and learning. This phase outlines the changes to our online delivery for the first two weeks of Term 2. Greater social interactions especially for our Y12 and Y11 students is at the heart of this document, though I do know that our teachers are also increasing their videoing capacity in junior year groups. This was communicated to parents during these recent Easter holidays.

In support of the government's proposal to return to the 'physical' environment, the College will develop a document titled, **Phase 3: Transitioning back to On-Campus Teaching and Learning**. This document will outline our roadmap for Week 3 and Week 4. It will provide staff, students and parents with the manner in which the College will return, ensuring we support 'physical' distancing, provide a safe and healthy environment, and ensure all students have the opportunity for a face-to-face lesson. The online platform will continue when staff and students who are not required on-site or are unable to attend the College campus for various reasons such as health concerns or family commitments.

Week 3

Monday 11 th May	Tuesday 12 th May	Wednesday 13 th May	Thursday 14 th May	Friday 15 th May
Year 12	Year 10	Year 9	Year 8	Year 7
Year 11				

Modified Timetables

The College has modified each year group's timetable so that students have a face-to-face lesson with their teachers.

Student timetables for each year group will be communicated via Canvas Announcements by Thursday 7th May.

Please note: The College will assess this current arrangement before confirming the Week 4 schedule with the intention to bring Year 12 back full-time from Monday 18th May. Year 12 will only return, full-time, if the implemented measures have ensured the safe and healthy return of students and staff.

Attendance: In the absence of any health concerns, all students are expected to attend the face-to-face learning day. There will be an outline of the lesson or a MS Teams videoing invitation (for those classes whose teachers are absent and not onsite).

If students are unable to attend the face-to-face learning day, parents should notify the College of their son's absence by the normal procedures (phone call or message via College website absence note).

Start and finishing times (including Thursday): 8.40am – 3.00pm

Students are required to wear their full **College Winter Uniform (to and from school)** when they are scheduled to be on campus. This includes Thursday as there is no sport. Please ensure that your son meets the College grooming policy standards upon his return.

The College is currently working through **protocols** for staff and students to ensure all the appropriate measures are being implemented in accordance with health advice, including in classrooms, College amenities and other learning spaces. The health and safety of students and staff is a priority.

As previously communicated, please **do not** send your son to the College if they are exhibiting cold or flu like symptoms e.g. runny nose, coughing, sore throat, elevated temperature, etc. Any student who exhibits any sign of illness will be required to be collected by a parent/caregiver and then only return once he has a medical clearance.

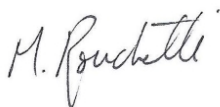
Please be advised that whilst social distancing practices are in place, that no person other than the students are permitted to enter the College premises. You are permitted to drop-off and pick-up your son, however, you must remain in your car. The only exceptions to this requirement are when you are picking up a child from Sick Bay, attending the College Uniform Shop or if you have been invited to attend a meeting with a staff member.

The College will continue supporting those families who are involved in some of the essential services such as doctors, nurses, healthcare, police and others by offering **supervision on-campus** throughout the week.

As per previous communications decisions relating to the health and wellbeing of our community remain our highest priority as we continue to monitor COVID-19 and transition back to on-campus teaching and learning.

Stay safe, stay healthy.

God Bless you all.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "M. Ronchetti". The signature is written in a cursive style with a small dot above the 'i'.

Mr M. Ronchetti
Principal