



Dear Families,

Re: SCHOOL DAY TIMES and MASKS

The safety, wellbeing and learning of our students and staff is at the forefront of all of our decision making. The Emergency Management Declarations by the SA Government means that 2022 school year will have a very disrupted beginning, due to the different start dates for face to face learning for our year 7, 8 and 12 students compared to the remainder of our student cohort. The disruption to learning at the beginning of this year brings into focus the need for minimising the change that student's experience in their day to day schooling.

Toward the end of 2021 we sent home communication confirming that we were changing the lesson times for 2022 and that our school days would look a little different. Following a great deal of thought we have determined that it would be in the best interest of our students, given the start we are about to experience, not to change the lesson times and school days.

For the start of the 2022 school year our school day schedule will be the same as it has been in previous years, the school day times are shown below. The bus service will operate as it did in 2021.

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| Home group | 08:40 – 09:00 |
| Lesson 1 | 09:00 – 10:40 |
| Recess | 10:40 – 11:00 |
| Lesson 2 | 11:00 – 12:40 |
| Lunch | 12:40 – 13:20 |
| Lesson 3 | 13:20 – 15:00 |

There will be further communication regarding the school day during term 1.

The Emergency Management Declaration has also mandated the wearing of masks by ALL students when they are indoors and for ALL school staff. We are asking that all families support us with the mandate by ensuring their child leaves home with a mask. While we will have masks available for students who break or misplace theirs, it is impractical for us to supply masks for every student, every day.

It is also important to recognise that these declarations are legal directions provided to us by the SA Government, not a school decision, and that we are required to follow them. We are obligated to ensure they are followed and only students who are able to show us a medical exemption to wearing masks, will be allowed in classrooms without a mask.

Thank you for your support

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