



Millicent High School

"Providing Pathways to the Future"

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MHS Communication re: Covid Response 1- 24/1/22

Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope that you have had an enjoyable Christmas and New Years break with minimal Covid interruptions.

It is an exciting year with year 7's beginning with us at High School. This has seen the newly constructed play area for the junior levels, completed during the holiday break. We also welcome several new staff to our site:

Jed Telfer- will be teaching Physical Education and SHINE from years 7-10.

Michelle McAuley- will be a year 7 Integrated Studies teacher and teaching English to 8's, 9's and PACES students

Morgen Lindner- will be teaching year 7 Integrated Studies, Mathematics and Science

Monika Lenart- will be with us part time, teaching Japanese to year 7 and 8's

Paul Vanderhorst- will be a Mathematics and Science teacher to years 8-10.

Samantha Freeman- will be teaching year 7 and 8 Physical Education and SHINE.

Xue Bai- will be teaching years 7-11 Mathematics and Science

Please note, we will have an interrupted beginning to the year due to impacts of Covid. There is a staggered return to school for the different year levels. **Year's 7, 8 and 12 will begin on Wednesday the 2nd of February** with Face to Face teaching at school. Whilst year levels 9, 10 and 11 will begin the first 2 weeks with online learning off site. The department has outlined how this return is to be managed:

Face-to-face learning:

Will be provided for year 7, year 8 and year 12 students, starting Wednesday the 2nd of February.

If you choose to keep your child at home, or if they are required to isolate, a school based remote learning program will not be offered to these year levels.

The Department for Education is developing online learning for reception to year 10 students that your child can access online. More detail will be provided before the school term commences.

Remote learning provided for:

Years 9, 10 and 11 students, starting on Wednesday the 2nd of February.

If you are required to attend your workplace and do not have any other appropriate supervision for your children, they can come to school. We will supervise them as they complete their remote learning program.



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Preparation days (31st January and 1st February)

These days will be used by our staff to prepare for remote learning and the change to the start of term 1.

If you are required to work and do not have the appropriate supervision for your child, you can choose to send them to school to be supervised on these days. No formal learning programs will be provided.

If you are intending to send your child to school during the preparation days or your child needs to attend school due to parents being essential workers and they are not in the prescribed face to face year levels, could you please contact the school front office on 87332400 by 3pm Friday 28th January.

Where required, we will endeavour to have internet dongles available for families who do not have internet access at home for their children to access the online learning platforms. If you require such a device, could you please contact the front office by the above listed date.

Our Staff will continue to use Google Classroom as the online learning platform for remote learning. This is where staff will communicate information and assessment tasks to students. It is important that students are logging onto their classrooms daily, this will allow us to track attendance for remote learning. Further information relating to accessing Google Classroom for students will be provided in the coming days.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Kind Regards,



Todd Watson

Principal

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