

Maitland Lutheran School

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2022 START OF SCHOOL - UPDATE

Dear Families,

There is very little to add to the last information. SA Health and the State Government have clearly stated that their aim is to reduce entry of the virus on to school sites and therefore have some year levels commencing online learning for the start of the school year.

The conditions described in the previous update that students in Foundation, Year 1, Year 7 & Year 8 will commence face to face learning at school on Thursday 3rd February remains. We will be preparing for online learning for all other year levels over the coming weeks. We anticipate having enough devices for students from Year 3 and above to use for this purpose with students in Year 2 being provided with a hardcopy of scheduled work and to connect to their teacher via Class Dojo.

SA Health and the Association of Independent Schools have provided us with the following guidelines:-

- Masks are required for all adults on site
- Masks are strongly recommended for students in Years 7 – 12
- Masks are encouraged for student sin Years 3 – 6.
- Reducing Entry of Virus to Sites:
 - No one is to attend the site if unwell – even if symptoms are minor
 - It is recommended all students aged 5 and over be vaccinated (this however is a parental decision)
 - Once school commences, parents should not come onto the school site. There will be an exemption for Foundation parents for orientation purposes (we will provide details closer to the start of school)
- School gatherings such as Chapel, Assemblies, Interschool Sport, Camps, Concerts etc are to be postponed for at least the first 3 weeks of the school term with an update on when they can commence again.

We will come up with a 'Covid Safe' Plan for parents to access the school to collect stationery packs, chromebooks or online working booklets, uniforms etc. We anticipate this still occurring on Monday 31st January, Tuesday 1st February and Wednesday 2nd February as previously explained between 9:30am and 4:30pm. The format will just be slightly different in that stationery packs etc will be collected from outside of classrooms as well as uniform purchases and payments to reduce the number of adults inside the office and classrooms. We ask for your patience with this when you are on site.

Blessings,
DAVID FIELD
Principal