PRINCIPAL'S POST – Friday, 27th August 2021

Year 11 Students



Thank you for your support during these challenging times. We understand that this is an unsettling and difficult time for many people in our school community. We stand together as we continue to fight the biggest health crisis in living memory.

What we know:

- We are remaining on Level 4 for schools until at least Friday, 10th September 2021 and the school remains closed to visitors and non-essential personnel.
- Schools will provide minimum supervision only for students who **MUST** come to school and both staff and students who do attend school must now wear masks.
- We know the situation with COVID-19 can and does change at short notice. For regular updates please follow the link below which will take you to the most recent information from the Department of Education (DoE); <u>https://education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/advice-for-families</u>
- Information regarding the Higher School Certificate, including the new date for HSC examinations now being 9th November 2021, <u>HSC advice (nsw.gov.au)</u> is continuing to be updated as advised by NSW Health; <u>https://education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/advice-for-families/hsc-exam-advice.</u> A revised HSC exam timetable will be published in early September 2021.

What we will be doing:

- Playing our role in reducing movement within our community by encouraging all students to remain at home for continuity of learning.
- Continuing to post student work onto Google Classrooms for their timetabled lessons.
- Making final assessments using online strategies. There will not be a formal exam period, although in helping guide students for what is expected in Year 12, individual subjects are likely to incorporate exam style assessment and/or assessment may take the form of several shorter style alternative tasks.
- Notifying individual students early next week on how they will be completing final assessment in their course with contact from their teacher.
- Recording attendance for each lesson. Attendance and the work completed will assist teachers in completing an assessment on the student PBL profiles in recording how well students are prepared and actively participating in their learning.
- Delivering lessons up until the last day of term.
- Prioritising the health and wellbeing of all students and staff. Please contact the school on 6947 0600 if you have any concerns regarding your son or daughter's wellbeing.

What we need you to do:

- Keep students at home and encourage them to limit their movements within the community.
- Realise how important it is for students to remain linked to their Google Classroom and to fully engage with the directions their teacher is providing for them, as they go into the last phase of their Year 11 Studies.
- Support students in completing their work placed on Google Classrooms and be aware of student safety on the internet. Visit https://www.esafety.gov.au/ for guidance.
- Keep up to date with Tumut High School information on our school Facebook page and Skoolbag App with "Advice for families" updates on the DoE website. If you need any clarification please contact the school.

Please let us know if you need our support - Our number is 6947 0600

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