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Return to School Road Map

Welcome back to school! We have missed all our students and the interactions with our staff. OPHS will return to school on Level 3 Plus restrictions which mean there are many guidelines we need to follow and like last year, things may look a bit differently as we move back into face to face learning. One difference from last year is that mask wearing is MANDATORY for staff and students both indoors and outdoors. Students can take their mask off to eat and when exercising. We will continue to have emergency masks available but we encourage students to bring their own masks to help the environment. Please ensure that masks are fitted (don't slip) and cover your nose and mouth. There will also be hand sanitiser available and we encourage regular handwashing. We will also need to socially distance where necessary.

All students will need to attend school, there will be no online learning. If there is a medical reason for why you can't return we will need evidence from a doctor. Normal procedures for sickness will apply. Please don't attend school if you are sick, even with minimal symptoms. Get tested and isolate until a negative result is returned. Always follow NSW Health Advice. The school is happy to support you and this information is kept confidential.

If you are anxious returning to school talk to a teacher, counsellor or our youth worker so we can support you.

What happens when I arrive at school on the first day back?

On the first day back you will be greeted by your teachers at the gate who will direct you where to go. One of the guidelines set out by the Department of Education is that students need to stay in their year groups only and will not be able to hang out with their friends in other years. For example, if you are in Year 8, you need to stay with other students in Year 8 ONLY in class and in the playground.

Before school while waiting for the bell:

Year 7 will go to the Canteen Area

Year 8 will go to South Quad

Year 9 will go to South Circuit

You will need to stay in these areas until the bell goes.

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When the bell goes, Year 9 will go straight to their period 1 room the day will begin with **Period 1**, you **WILL NOT** go to ROLL CALL rooms, rolls will be taken by your period 1 teacher. Year 7 will wait in the canteen area for their teachers and Year 8 will wait in the pit area for their teachers.

What timetable will I follow?

You will be given a new timetable, it will be similar to your old timetable but will include **3 breaks**, one after each lesson for 20 minutes. The bell times will therefore be different. There may also be some room changes. Please read the timetable carefully.

Please be prepared for all classes. We cannot share equipment so please pack your own pencils, pens, coloured pencils, glue and all other items you will need to participate in practical lessons.

What can I do and where can I go in break times?

Break times will be rotated so that everyone gets a chance to go to the canteen and gets to use a different part of the playground.

The rotation is as follows:

Recess: 10.15-10.45 Year 7 - Canteen Year 8 – North Circuit Year 9- South Quad	Lunch 1: 11.50-12.10 Year 7 – North Circuit Year 8 – South Quad Year 9 – Canteen	Lunch 2: 1.25 - 1.45 Year 7 – South Quad Year 8 – Canteen Year 9 – North Circuit
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Support Unit ONLY will attend the Canteen between 11.30 - 11.50.

- You will **not** be able to go to the canteen at any other time, only your allocated slot- Lunch orders are recommended due to the 20 minute break time.
- Games will be limited to handball only at this stage, no basketball or oval games will be allowed.
- Students wishing to go to the library can only go at the time their year group is allocated to South Quad, the library will not be open for computer gaming, only for work, reading and board games. There will also be a limit on the number of students allowed in the library at any one time.

If you use the library the following stairs should be used:

C Block Stairs in the Pit Area should be used to enter the library. Walk through the library and place bags at the entrance. Use the A Block Admin Stairs to leave the library through the main doors.

At the end of break times **only Year 9** will go straight to class. Year 7 will **wait for their teacher** in the canteen area and Year 8 will **wait for their teachers** in the Pit area. This will allow teachers to stagger year groups into buildings and avoid congestion.

Level 1 B Block (Science) should be entered using the outdoor staircase and exited using the stairs near the Art rooms.

What happens at the end of the school day?

At the end of the day you will be asked to leave school at different times to avoid congestion and year group mixing. You will need to leave straight away and head home, please do not stand outside the gates.

Leaving times are as follows:

Year 7 – 2.50
Year 8 – 2.55
Year 9 – 3.00

Tuesday Early Finish

Year 7 – 2.35
Year 8 – 2.30
Year 9 – 2.25

What about the different period in in my timetable like MSP?

MSP - For Year 7 and 8 there will be no MSP because we cannot have Year 7 and 8 together. The MSP period will be moved to **Wednesday Period 1** where Mrs Harris has organised some *Return to School* activities for you.

Year 9 may also be involved in the *Return to School* activities during **Wednesday Period 2**. Teachers will have flexibility in how this is delivered.

Will Assemblies, Trak Lessons and Year Meetings still Happen?

Assemblies – will be in TRAK rooms and online like in remote learning. **Trak lessons** and **Year meetings** will also continue in TRAK lessons and rooms but may be in an online format.

Will Sport and PE be the same?

Sport and PE will continue this term but will look a little different. The school is not allowed to participate in contact sports so basketball, footy, soccer and similar games are not permitted under the current Covid rules. PE and sport can go ahead in class groupings doing non-contact activities.

Another change will be on your **Sport Day ONLY** you will be permitted to wear your sport uniform to and from school. This is to assist with numbers in the change room while operating under Level 3 Plus restrictions. The days will be as follows:

- Year 7 - Wednesday
- Year 8 - Thursday
- Year 9 – Monday

NOTE: On this sport day you MUST bring your leather school shoes to change into for Science, TAS and other practical subjects. You will not be permitted to do any practical activities without the correct shoes. Students who do not bring their correct shoes will be subject to the school's discipline policy.

What if I have borrowed a school Laptop?

If you have borrowed a school laptop it must be returned to school on the first day back. Classes will need them for teaching and learning activities. On the first day there will be collection points set up and you will be directed to where to return them.

Will there be Trak Rewards Days this term?

YES, absolutely. Last term's rewards day and one for term 4 will still go ahead and done in a Covid safe way. Keep listening out for more details.

Summary

<p>Before the bell Students will move to these areas upon entering the school.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Yr9 South Circuit• Yr8 South Quad• Yr7 Canteen <p>Start of Roll Call and each lesson</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Year 9 to head straight to their class• Year 8 to line up & meet teachers at the Pit• Year 7 to line up & meet teachers in the Canteen <p>Recess & Lunch - Now 3 x 20 minutes breaks.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Recess 10:15 - 10:35• Lunch 1 11:50 - 12:10• Lunch 2 1:25 - 1:45 <p>Recess - Yr7 Canteen, Yr8 NthCircuit, Yr9 SthQuad Lunch1 - Yr7 Nth Circuit, Yr8 SthQuad, Yr9 Canteen Lunch2 - Yr7 SthQuad, Yr8 Canteen, Yr9 Nth Circuit</p> <p>Canteen Each year only has access to the Canteen once a day.</p> <table><tr><td>Recess</td><td>10:15 - 10:35</td><td>Year 7 only</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>11:30 - 11:50</td><td>Support Unit only</td></tr><tr><td>Lunch 1</td><td>11:50 - 12:10</td><td>Year 9 only</td></tr><tr><td>Lunch 2</td><td>1:25 - 1:45</td><td>Year 8 only</td></tr></table> <p>Library Each year is allowed to use the Library once when they are in South Quad.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Recess - Yr9 only• Lunch 1 - Yr8 only• Lunch 2 - Yr7 only <p>Access to Library is via the rear door at the top of 1st C Block stairs. Bags are walked through to leave near front door. Exit Library via front door and moving down A Block stairs. Limited number of students permitted.</p> <p>Stairs A Block stairs – Down Only B Block Science stairs – Up only B Block Art stairs – Down only B Block Pit stairs – Up only</p> <p>Practical subjects Sharing of personal equipment cannot occur, thus students need to bring their own equipment, scissors, glue stick, pens, pencils, erasers, rules, calculators, - Apron (blue for workshops, white for kitchens) - available for \$8 from the front office.</p>	Recess	10:15 - 10:35	Year 7 only		11:30 - 11:50	Support Unit only	Lunch 1	11:50 - 12:10	Year 9 only	Lunch 2	1:25 - 1:45	Year 8 only	<p>After school - Staggered leaving times Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Yr7 - 2:50• Yr8 - 2:55• Yr9 - 3:00 <p>Tuesday</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Yr9 - 2:25• Yr8 - 2:30• Yr7 - 2:35 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Parents advised to stay away from front of school.• Students are to leave the front of the school immediately• Siblings to wait in the Pit area.• Bus students to wait in the South Circuit <p>Tuesday Period 4 Assemblies will continue each fortnight but be online in TRAK rooms. TRAK and online Year Meetings will continue in TRAK rooms.</p> <p>Sport Uniform Students will be permitted to wear Sport Uniform to school on their Sport day. Students expected to bring correct shoes for practical subjects on those days or miss out on those lessons.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Yr9 - Monday• Yr7 - Wednesday• Yr8 Thursday <p>PE Practical Limited classes will do practical together. Students to bring change of uniform and use change rooms as per normal</p> <p>Sport Currently NO contact sports permitted, including Basketball, Soccer, Touch etc. Handball is allowed.</p> <p>Borrowed Laptops On our return date 25th October all borrowed devices must be returned.</p> <p>MSP Now on period one, Wednesdays. Classes have been restructured. This will be a time to do Wellbeing activities and have some fun.</p> <p>Presentation Evening Moved to 21st Feb, 2022</p>
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