

Tuesday 28 April, 2020

Update No 2 T2PU

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

I trust you survived **Day One of our Remote Learning Mk 2 Model**. The College had just one phone call yesterday pertaining to this new model of delivery - and I gladly joined in on many of the zoom input sessions this morning - it sounds that the model was well received.

We launched the **Environmental Growth Domain Project** (Genesis Project) for students to Intake 2020 (Year 7). We will launch the Project with Years 8,9 10 students over the next few days. Linked is the Intake 2020 (Yr 7) for you to peruse. [Genesis Project Intake 2020](#)

All parents should have received a [Letter from our Bishop Anthony](#) this morning, outlining arrangements for Term II across the Diocese and Fee Relief details.

As part of our **Daily Check in meeting with their mentor teacher** - students are asked to complete an online wellbeing survey. It is imperative that our students' health and welfare are paramount in all our interactions and dealings with them, particularly in these uncertain times. I have included each Year's results from this morning here for your own reference.

The question states:

"Wellbeing is about how you are feeling about yourself at the moment(mentally, physically, emotionally, spiritually and socially). Your overall being is very important. On the scale below, rate your current state of wellbeing."

[Term 2 Day 2 Daily Check in Survey Wellbeing Ratings](#)

Year 12 2020:

[Message from Jordan and Cameron](#) (Year 12 students) to their colleagues in Year 12 about the Remote Learning Mk 2 Model. The Year 12 students were sent the link to this short clip this afternoon on their Google Classroom Year Group page.

Progress from Week 3 Term II (Monday 11 May) onwards:

The College Leadership Team is currently working on our next Model for the delivery of the curriculum. **This will be Model 4**. This is in response to the Premier's announcement last week about the gradual return to school by students.

The College is currently open and we have had students here each day, including each weekday of the holidays.

From Week 3, ie **Monday 11 May**, the College will be open for all Year 12 students (each day) and one other Year Group alternating on each day of the week. On the other 4 days of the week the students in Years Intake 2020 (Year 7) to Year 11 will be following the Remote Learning timetable. Further details will be given over the next few days.

Yesterday our **Leader of Community Partnerships and Pathways, Ms Mel Timmerman** in conjunction with the Diocese of Broken Bay, launched our innovative Pathways program to help our high school students explore different post school options that match their passion and develop the skills their future employers will want, and to ensure we support them to achieve a successful life beyond school.

An important element of the Pathways Program is engaging the whole community including business, industry and further education institutions as well as parents, teachers and students of course. Our Pathways Program connects students with industry and businesses as well as TAFE, Universities and opportunities in apprenticeships and traineeships.

As students cannot go on excursions and we cannot have industry or further education partners meet with students at school for at least Term 2, we have worked with a range of partners to design and develop a range of virtual information videos on YouTube for students and parents to build awareness and understanding of different opportunities in further education and future employment. Also, in the absence of Uni and TAFE visits and open days in Term 2, we have leveraged our connections with our further education partners, who are keen to offer virtual open days.

There will be a new (live) presentation available every school day during Term 2, these videos will start at 10am to 10.30 and will stay available on the YouTube channel afterwards.

We will share these further education and our virtual industry/business encounters to all schools in NSW so they can engage with as many students and their parents as possible. We have received an amazing response from Catholic, Independent, and DoE schools across NSW. The videos can be viewed at https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC-bR6YPekYfa73beQOeP3qg?view_as=subscriber

Stay up to date with information around the upcoming talks:

<https://www.facebook.com/studyandcareerpathwaysinformation>

Once again thank you for your support and the obvious support you are giving your young person in these times. Ensure that you are taking time for yourselves - so you have the energy and patience as we slowly move out of our present situation.

I will update you again on a regular basis as we move towards our 4th model of Remote Learning. If you have any questions please do not hesitate contact College Reception or email:

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Best wishes,



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