



28th October 2021

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL – LATEST UPDATES CAMPUS OPENING IN NOV (FAQs)

I am delighted that we are able to return to campus in November and hope that everyone will be able to relax a little and enjoy the upcoming term break.

Allow me to share some additional information that relates to my recent announcement regarding campus opening. Some '*frequently asked questions*' maybe...

Student vaccinations

Q. I have a second dose appointment on the 8th of November, what do I do?

Indeed, the 8th of November is the second dose day for a number of students across different year groups.

For students who have a second dose appointment on the 8th of November, who are due to either come to school, or to learn online, unfortunately they won't be able to attend either format on the 8th of November. Effectively for those students, school will start face to face if they are in an 'odd' numbered year group on the 9th of November; or remote learning will continue on the 9th until the 12th of November if they are in an 'even' numbered year group.

Similarly, any student who has a second dose appointment in the future, unfortunately they will miss that particular day of school, whether it be an online format or face to face as the vaccination programme continues.

Vaccination Age

Q. My son/daughter is under 12 and not yet vaccinated can they still come to school

By moving into Phase 4 of the National Recovery Plan, this is a firm indication that the level of risk for serious consequences of the virus are reduced. Following the guidelines from the most relevant ministries, with the rotation systems in place, reviewed SOPS and vaccinated staff, we are ready to receive students once more. Our procedures and protocols help manage and reduce risk of infections and further vaccinations programmes, such as boosters, and those for children under the age of 12, will reduce the severity of the infection.

Weekly rotations

Q. I have more than one child attending the school and their rotations are on different weeks, does one child come to school for one week whilst one stays at home?

In this situation please bring both or all your children to school if you are not able to supervise the online learner from home. They will learn from the classroom with the teacher if they are delivering online lessons and join the year above or below for breaks and PE lessons.

School Start Times

Q. There were some changes when online for the Junior School, do these still apply?

For the Senior school we continue to start at 0745 with homeroom time, whether online or in school.

For the Junior school:

online learners have no homeroom time and classes start at 08:00

Campus based learners have homeroom at 0745 and classes start at 08:00

Indeed, there remains a few hurdles or small disruptions ahead, but in general I am very pleased to have our students return to campus.

I trust this finds everyone safe and well

Very best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'JP Birch', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Mr. JOHN P BIRCH

Principal