



16 September 2021

Dear Parents and Carers of students in Year 12

As Term 3 ends, I would like to take the opportunity to commend students on their resilience throughout the past ten weeks of Home-Based Learning. It has been a challenging time for all involved including students, parents and teachers and we look forward to next term when we will hopefully be able to return to face-to-face teaching in alignment with the NSW Government plan.

Term 4 will commence with Learning Conferences which are scheduled for Wednesday October 6 and Thursday October 7. Throughout these two days students will participate in asynchronous learning to allow teachers, students and parents to participate in the Learning Conferences. Lesson content for these two days will be available on the College Portal with normal Home-Based Learning lessons recommencing on Friday October 8.

Students will receive their Trial HSC Report at the end of Week 2 next term. This report will include the student's mark and rank in the Trial HSC assessment task that they've just completed and their final overall assessment rank, an indication of level of achievement of course outcomes and a teacher's comment in each course. NESA does not permit schools to provide students with their final overall assessment mark.

The HSC Examination timetable was released last week and NESA has provided students with their personal examination timetable. Significant time remains before the commencement of exams and I encourage students to take some time for themselves over the coming break to re-energise for the commencement of Term 4. Teachers are carefully planning a revision program to assist all students in achieving their best results in the final exams. We will be analysing the NSW Government Health advice regarding establishing a safe examination environment and I will share this with families prior to the examinations.

I would like to remind parents and carers of the opportunity to provide feedback to the College about Home-Based Learning via the [Home-Based Learning Survey](#). This survey also allows families to ask questions that they would like answered at the Information Webinar scheduled for 6.30pm on Tuesday October 19.

The table below provides a list of key dates and events for the remainder of Term 3 and the commencement of Term 4. We will be analysing the health advice for the safe return of students to face-to-face learning which is currently scheduled for Monday October 25 for students in Year 12. I will provide the details of this plan to families at the commencement of Term 4.





Term 3	
1. Parent survey closes Home-Based Learning Survey.	Thursday September 16
2. Staff Development Day	Friday September 17
Term 4	
1. Staff Development Day	Tuesday 5 October
2. Learning Conferences & asynchronous learning	Wednesday October 6 and Thursday October 7
3. Year meetings to commence the term	Wednesday October 6, 8.40am
4. Microsoft Teams approach to HBL recommences	Friday October 8
5. Year 12 Webinar Teams Link emailed to Parents	Monday October 18
6. Year 12 Information Webinar	Tuesday October 19, 6.30pm
7. Year 12 Commence Face-to-Face classes	Monday October 25
8. HSC Exams Commence	Tuesday November 9

I wish all students and their families a safe and happy term break and hope you are able to enjoy some of the lightening of restrictions throughout the two weeks. Please do not hesitate to contact me on 4321 6400, or at principal@stedwards.nsw.edu.au if you have any questions or would like to discuss the information outlined in this letter.

Yours sincerely

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