



# COWRA HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers

I hope you have been able to enjoy some time with your family over the last two weeks. I want to take this opportunity to update you with where Cowra High School are currently at in terms of COVID-19 and what the start of Term Two will look like for your child's learning.

The media has made many announcements from the Premier about what schooling may look like. The Leadership Team at Cowra High School have consulted and decided on the following model in response to the Department of Education guidelines.

The beginning of this term sees Monday 27th April remain as a pupil-free School Development Day. **Tuesday 28th April** has also been announced as an **additional pupil-free School Development Day** to allow for additional planning and professional learning for teachers and staff.

From Wednesday 29th April until Friday 8th May (Weeks 1 and 2) students will continue to learn remotely using their Sentral timetables. Published timetables for all students located on the Sentral Parent Portal. If you are unable to access the information from the portal please call the school and Tanya Murray will support you to access the portal. Google Classroom codes can also be accessed on the Cowra High School Website for students if they require further support for continued remote learning.

**Phase One** to return students back to school from the 11<sup>th</sup> May 2020 Cowra High School have organised a rotational timetable.

Weeks 3 to 6 of Term Two all Year 12 students will return to school 5 days a week. Students in Years 7-11 will attend school one day per week. Please see the table below for the days your student/s will attend school. They will follow their normal face to face timetable and staff will teach the concepts or syllabus dot points that ensure remote learning can continue seamlessly. When students are not attending school they are to continue to follow their school timetable remotely and teachers will be available in that time slot within the Google Classroom platform. Remote learning period allocations will be Years 7-10 (30 minutes) and Years 11 and 12 (45 minutes).

**Student On Site Rotational Timetable Weeks 3 to 6 Term 2 2020.**

Weeks 3-6 Timetable	MON	TUE	WED	THURS	FRI
Week 3	11	9	10	7	8
Week 4	7	11	8	10	9
Week 5	8	10	9	11	7
Week 6	10	8	7	9	11

Our school remains open as do all NSW Public schools for parents who have no other option but to send their child to school. These students will complete their online work whilst being supervised by a casual teacher. Families who are able to keep their children home to learn remotely are asked to please do so to ensure their safety. Those students who are unable to learn from home are welcome to attend school.

I am acutely aware of the importance of supporting all of our students and particularly our Year 12 students and those undertaking major works. I know our teachers are wanting our students back into classrooms as soon as it is safe to do so. We will continue to implement social distancing procedures and we have already organised hand sanitiser as well as additional onsite cleaning during the day at school.

At this stage we are not sure how TAFE will be running their classes but we assume at this stage it will continue to be online.

I will keep you posted about what the school day will look like for all of us from Weeks 7 to 10 **Phase Two** as soon as I can. I am hesitant to commit to anything until I am firmly guided by the Department of Education.

Our highly organised structure and our clear communication during this process will ensure that any confusion and uncertainty you may have will be clarified. We look forward to working in partnership with you as we navigate Term Two 2020. Our aim is to ensure that every student is engaged and challenged and supported to achieve the best possible learning outcomes and we thank you for your support and understanding.

The website <https://education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/advice-for-families> has been updated and may have information that interests you.

Regards



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