



Greetings to you all,

Yesterday we re-opened our College for senior students in Years 11- 13 for teaching and learning. Boys were pleased to be able to see familiar faces and make contact with staff again. We started with 167 Senior students yesterday and that number has reduced today to under 100 as the students were able to get help and support with their assessment preparation or have chosen to work and complete assessments from home online.

Practice Exams

Our Practice Exams started today with NCEA Level 1 English. We have students completing the exams both onsite and online. Our Practice Exams continue to run from today through to Tuesday November 2nd.

Online Learning and Targeted Workshops On-site:

From Monday November 1st we are asking all students to work online for Periods 1 – 3. This will continue until at least Friday November 12th. (Note, exam timetable will continue for Mon/Tues). We will reassess the programme at that point, depending on Government announcements about schooling for students at different levels.

The timetable of the targeted Workshops will run in the afternoons with the added ability to offer additional workshops in the areas most needed to support our student's learning.

To avoid students waiting around in groups, Year 11 – 13 students are not to be onsite until just before their scheduled Workshop time. Your son's teachers will be in contact in the next couple of days to indicate times and days that he is expected to attend the workshops. The Workshop Timetable will be posted to the TEAMS page and on our College website as well.

Most of our Senior students will be able to complete their work on-line from home as they have already been doing. The onsite Workshops and Revision classes allow us to focus on supporting our Senior students to prepare for assessment, for both internals and for NCEA external exams.

Teachers and students will continue to work within the health and good hygiene guidelines, including hand washing and mask wearing. All students attending on-site teaching will still need to have completed the COVID Vaccination and Test Register which has been mandated under the Public Health Order.

All boys who come in should bring their own device if they have one. We have a limited number of devices available at school and cannot guarantee that we have a device to give each student. Students must make contact with their Homeroom teacher if they require a device.

De La Salle Daily Work Structure

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Period 1	Online learning	Online learning	Online learning	Online learning	Online learning
Period 2	Online learning	Online learning	Online learning	Online learning	Online learning
Period 3	Online learning	Online learning	Online learning	Online learning	Online learning
Workshop 1 12pm-1.30pm	Targeted workshops onsite	Targeted workshops onsite	Targeted workshops onsite	Targeted workshops onsite	Targeted workshops onsite
Workshop 2 1.30pm– 3 pm	Targeted workshops onsite	Targeted workshops onsite	Targeted workshops onsite	Targeted workshops onsite	Targeted workshops onsite

Summary

- **For Friday Oct 29th exams will continue as well as timetabled senior classes.**
- **Exam programme continues as scheduled through to the end of Tuesday Nov 2nd**
- **All boys zoom lessons from P1-3 from Monday Nov 1st- Friday 11th.**
- **Timetabled Senior workshops 12-1.30 and 1.30-3pm each day. Timetable sent out by Saturday.**

Year 7 – 10 students:

A big thank-you to the boys who are engaged online and the parents who have helped them! We are proud of the way our students and staff have handled the challenge of the past months.

We are asking our Year 7 – 10 students to also continue to work online for Period 1 – 3. This change from P1-4 will be for only the next 2 weeks, as we put more teaching time into our seniors who are nearing the end of their school year. We will then reassess as we get more guidance from Ministry of Education around the return to school or continuation of online learning for our Year 7-10.

We are not going to run our Junior End of Year Examinations. However, we will be completing assessments later in the term in the shape of small tests, quizzes and writing tasks which will all be able to be completed online.

Regardless of whether Year 7 – 10 students remain at home or we are able to return onsite to school teachers are already planning on how to make the end of the year as enjoyable and interesting as possible for our young men.

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Principal