

Friday 22 January 2021



**NORWOOD  
MORIALTA**  
HIGH SCHOOL

Dear Parents/Caregivers

**Re: Early dismissal on Wednesday afternoons**

Welcome to our new and continuing families to the 2021 school year.

In preparation for the new school year we wish to remind families of the school's early dismissal every Wednesday afternoon.

At Norwood Morialta High School teachers engage in quality professional learning every week. This unique and valued opportunity enables staff to work in teams to investigate, develop and implement new, innovative and engaging practices, thus rejuvenating their practice to develop our students as global citizens equipped. Students have benefited from this learning with the introduction of new learning programs and targeted teaching approaches that have ensured student success. This has particularly been evident in our recent outstanding SACE results.

In 2021 the professional learning community (PLC) time will continue to be conducted on Wednesday afternoons and students will be dismissed from school at 1:20pm.

Our collective staff focus will be to develop a deeper understanding of curriculum differentiation to support improved learning outcomes for each student and to also begin formal development of a new 7-12 curriculum model in preparation for the introduction of the Year 7 students, the new IB Diploma Program and the co-location onto one site from 2022.

The school understands that some students will be unable to leave school at this time and for this reason will provide supervision. Students who remain at school will undertake a modified program, including a lunch break, homework activities and community service. Based on our previous experience and community feedback we believe most families are in a position to make alternative arrangements for this time.

For organisational purposes we ask that parents/caregivers of students who need to remain at school, to register their student by returning the 'Wednesday PLC Supervision' form below to your student's Personal Learning Group (PLG) Teacher by Friday 29 January. This is an 'opt in' process and the school will only be responsible for middle campus students registered to remain at school from 1:20pm – 3:20pm.

We request that families discuss the early dismissal arrangements and appropriate travel practices with their student to ensure their safety and well-being when travelling to and from school. Students are also reminded to avoid visiting local stores and fast-food restaurants in large groups, to adhere to school expectations and to present themselves positively in public.

Please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Middle Campus Management Team on 8365 0455 if you have any further questions requiring clarification.

Yours sincerely

Jacqui van Ruiten  
Principal

**Wednesday PLC Supervision:** Please complete and return this section to your PLG teacher by Friday 29 January 2021.

Student Name: .....PLG: .....

will be staying at school from 1:20pm – 3:20pm in the Dunstan Learning Community every Wednesday afternoon.

Parent/Caregiver Signature: ..... Date: .....

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