

Friday 11 February 2022

Dear Year 9, 10 and 11 students and families

The Norwood International High School staff are excited to welcome our Year 9, 10 and 11 students back to school on Monday 14 February to commence face-face learning.

We understand that the first two weeks of the 2022 school year has been challenging and we look forward to supporting our returning students to settle into the new facilities, and their new subjects. Please refer to the following information that may also assist with this transition:

First school day on Monday 14 February:

Each morning our students will attend their Connect class from 8:45am – 8:55am.

Before moving to their Connect class on Monday, our students will need to check their Connect group allocations and then meet their teacher in the following locations:

Year 9 students – Oval

Year 10 students – Oval

Year 11 students – Front western lawns

All students will then participate in an Extended Connect session to support their return to school, connection with their peers and familiarisation with our new campus. Students will begin their normal timetabled lessons from Lesson 3.

Being prepared to return to school:

Arrival and entry: Students may enter the school from The Parade or Rowland Road. Families are encouraged to drop off and pick up students from The Parade side of the school and local streets. Please note parking arrangements have recently changed. Only students walking or riding bikes should access the northern entrance from Rowland Street, due to parking restrictions and narrow local streets.

Departure: Families are strongly encouraged to collect students from The Parade side of the school at the end of the day. The school is a very busy place at this time and it is recommended families park in neighbouring streets and students walk to the vehicle. Students will be supported to wait on the front lawns for transport, if necessary.


Lockers: Each student will be allocated a locker to store their personal items at school. Senior students (in Years 10 and 11) will be required to bring a padlock and spare key with them. Year 9 students will have access to a locker with an inbuilt combination lock in the middle school building.


Canteen: This year the canteen is operated by Rory's Foods. To avoid long queues we encourage students to order lunches via the QKR app and then collect their items from the side window. Vending machines, filtered water and microwaves are also available around the school for student use.


Laptops: Students will be required to bring their charged laptops. The IT support will be visiting Connect classes during the Extended Connect session to assist with any IT matters. Students may also visit the Learning Hub for IT support.



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Uniform: Students are required to be in full uniform every day as per our previous expectations. This will include students not having acrylic nails, wearing the appropriate lace up school shoes (leather or vegan options) and ensuring dress/skirt length is not short. Staff will be monitoring uniform and will contact families if there are any issues.

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BLACK LEATHER (OR LEATHER
LOOK) WITH LACES AND HAVE
A SOLID BASE



This year we will be supporting Year 9 students to wear their PE uniform (including sports shoes) to school only on days they have PE classes timetabled.

Year 10 and 11 students will need to change into their PE uniform at the beginning and end of PE lesson. Senior students should not be wearing their PE to other lessons.

New PE Track suit jacket and pants will be available for purchase later this term.

Families are encouraged to visit our website at <https://www.nmhs.sa.edu.au/our-uniform/> for more information about our uniform.

Masks in schools:

In accordance with SA Health and Department for Education directions, all secondary school students and staff are required to wear masks when indoors at school.

Norwood International High School encourages all students to bring their own mask and to carry it with them at all times. The school will have a supply of surgical masks available, should any student need one.

It is essential we continue to follow SA Health advice and your continued support and cooperation is greatly appreciated.

The school also understands that some students may have a medical condition preventing them from wearing a mask for long periods. We request these families contact the school immediately and provide necessary information to support a medical exemption. All staff will be notified of exempted students and these students may wish to receive a special card with clear instructions for use.

Thank you again for your support and patience as we continue to navigate these challenging times and changes. We look forward to our Year 9, 10 and 11 students returning to face-face learning in their new campus and enjoying school life at Norwood International High School.

Yours sincerely



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