

9 April 2020

Dear parents, carers and students,

As you will be aware, Victorian Health authorities have determined that school children will be taught remotely during Term 2 as a measure to assist with combating the coronavirus pandemic.



The Department of Education and Training has advised the following:

*All students who **can** learn from home **must** learn at home, except for students in the following categories:*

- a) Children on days when they are not able to be supervised at home and no other arrangements can be made. This will be available for children of parents who cannot work from home, and vulnerable children, including:*
 - *Children in out of home care*
 - *Children deemed by Child Protection and / or Family Services to be at risk of harm*
 - *Children identified by the school as vulnerable (including via referral from a family violence agency, homelessness or youth justice service or mental health or other health service and children with a disability)*
- b) For learning requirements that cannot be conducted via distance (such as Year 12 practical SACS)*

As we prepare for remote learning, Greater Shepparton Secondary College has made the following arrangements:

All campuses will be open on Wednesday 15th April, Thursday 16th April and Friday 17th April for students and family members to come in:

- To collect items from students' lockers
- To collect musical instruments (instrumental music students)
- Collect paper copies of work for the first two weeks of Term 2 (**Please note: this is only for students who have been asked to collect work by their teacher**)
- Borrow a laptop for the term if students do not have their own computer. Please note that the school has a limited number of computers for loan and these will only be loaned to students who do not have their own computer. **Laptops for loan are available only from the Wanganui and McGuire campuses.**
- **Please respect social distancing if you must attend McGuire, Mooroopna or Wanganui on one of these days.**



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From Monday 20th April, 2020 all students who need to come to school will be accommodated at the Wanganui Campus.

A teacher will be allocated to supervise students doing their work online, which will be the same work that other students are doing from home.

Parents who need students to come to school should be in contact with the school from 14th April on 03 4804 5601 to register their child as needing to attend. They will need to specify which days the child will be attending.

Most students should not need to attend a school campus and can commence remote learning from 15th April. Teachers will be teaching their students online and students will be provided with the lessons via Compass for the same number of lessons they would usually have each week.

It is expected that students will follow their normal timetable where possible. A reminder that teachers will be in contact with students via Compass once the term begins on Wednesday 15th April.

Teachers and Education Support staff will work their normal school hours and may be contacted by parents and students during these hours. Staff will not be available to respond to contacts made outside these hours.

Rest assured many of our staff have put in a great deal of effort during the break to prepare for remote learning. This is to ensure we provide the best education possible for our students in these trying times.

I trust you will all enjoy the Easter weekend with your families.

Sincerely,

Genevieve Simson
Executive Principal