



Boorowa Central School
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Dear families of the Boorowa Central School community,

Welcome back to Term 2, 2020. Term 2 will be a very different term to previous years, however, school operations will be similar to the end of last term. 'Learning from Home' continues throughout the term with a 'Managed return to school' for all students and staff to begin on 11 May.

For Weeks 1 and 2 of this term, we see a continuation of the school being open to all but I continue to strongly encourage all families to keep their children at home unless they are unable to provide care due to essential work. This is in line with Federal, State and Department of Education guidelines. Students who do attend school during this period will be supervised in the library whilst completing their 'Learning from Home' unit of work. The majority of staff are also working from home to ensure we can maintain a safe and healthy school and community as best as possible.

Phase 1 of the 'Managed return to school' at Boorowa Central School

Boorowa Central School has a plan in place for the return of students from Week 3 Term 2 (11 May 2020). This plan accompanies this letter as an infographic and further detail is provided below:

Day of Week	Year group/class	Teacher(s)
Mondays (from 11 May)	K/1 class Year 11 Year 12	Mrs Proudford Secondary teachers on a roster Year 12 teachers
Tuesdays (from 12 May)	K/1 class Year 1 class Year 3/4 class	Mrs Proudford Miss Birney Miss Halls and Mrs Brougham
Wednesdays (from 13 May)	Year 9/10 Hub class Year 12	Secondary teachers on a roster Mr Keighley and Mrs Hawkins Year 12 teachers
Thursdays (from 14 May)	Year 2/3 class Year 5/6 class	Ms Downey and Mrs Hoy Mr Stuart and Mr Giles-Brown
Fridays (from 15 May)	Year 7/8 Year 11 Year 12	Secondary teachers on a roster Secondary teachers on a roster Year 12 teachers

Kindergarten to Year 6

When at school, K-6 classes will receive face to face teaching and learning from their teachers. The classes will maintain social distancing measures and in some cases, the class will be split across two adjacent rooms. These classes have an additional teacher. All classes have an SLSO or two to assist the learning of all students.

Year 7-10

When at school, students in Years 7-10 will be supervised to complete their 'Learning from Home' unit of work. They will operate on a revised timetable that involves shorter periods, sport and socialisation and wellbeing time. The stage groups will be split across two classrooms to maintain social distancing.

Year 11

When at school, Year 11 will follow their existing timetable and complete the 'Learning from Home' unit of work. They will have the opportunity to work with subject teachers when they are being supervised. They will maintain social distancing in the classroom and be given the opportunity for socialisation and wellbeing time.

Year 12

When at school, Year 12 will be following a modified timetable that includes a blended model of face to face teaching and learning and 'Learning from Home' units of work. Across each week (Monday/Wednesday/Friday), they will have a double period of face to face teaching and learning for each of their subjects, with their subject teacher. They will use specialised classrooms and be able to complete practical work. They will maintain social distancing in the classroom and be given the opportunity for socialisation and wellbeing time.

Maintaining a safe and healthy environment – students and staff

All students and staff are to follow hygiene practices of washing hands when going to and coming back from breaks. Enhanced cleaning will also occur throughout the day which includes the cleaning of surfaces and high frequency touch areas in classrooms and the cleaning of play equipment after use. Class/stage groups will also remain separated from other groups' onsite to limit interaction and any additional health risks associated with this interaction.

Maintaining a safe and healthy environment – parents and community members

Parents are asked to remain in their vehicle when dropping off and picking up their child(ren). If you would like to escort your child to and from your vehicle, you may drop off and pick up your child at the designated gate ONLY. You are asked to maintain social distancing measures when doing so.

The designated 'drop off and pick up gate' is located between the administration building and the infants building on Pudman Street. It will be clearly signed and you will be met by myself or the class teacher from 8:30 – 9:00am and at 3:00pm.

I ask that parents and community members do not enter the school site unless it is through the main 'bricked' gate on Pudman Street to access the front office.

The bus services will operate as per normal during Term 2 and beyond.

Food and drink

Please send your child to school with their lunch, recess and a water bottle. The canteen will not be available during this phase of the 'Managed return to school'.

Secondary Students – devices and student packs

If a student in Years 7-10 has borrowed a school device, they must bring it to school (fully charged) on their scheduled day. Year 11 and 12 students are encouraged to bring their laptop from home and will have access to the computer lab.

K-6 students who have borrowed a device may leave these at home when scheduled to be at school.

Secondary students who have student packs, are to bring these to school on their scheduled day. Additional work will not be provided.

Students and staff who are ill

I ask you not to send a child to school if they are ill. In the event of a child becoming unwell, or is assessed by staff as unwell during the day, they will be triaged to the sick bay for social distancing purposes and you will be contacted to collect them immediately. Staff who are ill or who are in a high risk category will also remain at home.

With your assistance and careful consideration around the transmission of illness we can minimise the impact of colds, flu and covid-19 in our community by making sensible decisions about when we send our children to school.

I, like many of you, look forward to a return to 'normal' life. I will continue to attempt to communicate quickly with you and the community in these ever changing times. I am unsure of when Phase 2 of the 'Managed return to school' will begin but when it does, we will develop and communicate a plan in a timely manner.

Yours sincerely



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