

We, at Bourke High, believe that all students can succeed. Bourke High School is a caring school and we acknowledge that effective learning takes place when students and teachers feel secure and safe, where morale is high, where people are happy and where a high value is placed on working together.



Deputy Principals Report

Week Three is upon us already, and teachers are very excited to have face to face time with students once again in the classroom. Students in Years 7-11 will be undertaking the 'Common Unit of Work' - that is, students will be working on the same work packs and online work at school as they are at home during Phase 1 of the staged return to full time schooling. Students in Year 12 are required to be in attendance every school day.

There has been a significant change in the way student attendance has been managed during this time. Students who are learning from home are marked as present at school. However, there are some important points to note about this process, and I hope that this addresses many questions we have received from the community:

Will my child be marked present each day? Students who are learning at home will be marked present each day. Student engagement with home learning will be measured by the work being returned. Please ensure your child's work packs are returned to the school for marking and feedback. The school will be in contact with you regularly to help you support your child in their learning. Where work packs are not returned, students may be marked as absent.

Is my child required to be in attendance on their timetabled day? Students should attend on their timetabled day at school. This provides teachers with an opportunity to check in with your child and exchange work. If you have a concerns or questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school. Students who do not attend on their designated day will be marked as Absent (Unexplained) unless we receive a phone call or other communication from parents.

How are social distancing measures being implemented in the school? We have a modified timetable to ensure that no more than 10 students are scheduled in any room at one time, and have also restricted the number of rooms used in the school. We have additional hand sanitiser available and frequently touched surfaces are getting cleaned regularly throughout the day

My child has a minor sniffle/cough. Can I still send them to school? All students and staff are required to stay home if they have any symptoms of a common cold or flu. Please do not send your child to school if they appear unwell.

I have seen some fantastic activities happening across the school, and it has been pleasing to see so many students embracing online learning. We encourage students to take up the option of online learning where possible - Google Classroom is a free app which can be installed on Apple or Android phones. We will soon have technology arrive to help support online learning.

### Reminders



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Thank you again for your understanding and flexibility. It has been heartening to see so many students, staff and families stepping up to the challenge of online and remote learning.

Our student roster for **Phase 1 starting Monday 11**<sup>th</sup> **May** is as follows:

#### Mainstream

Day	Students
Monday	Year 7
Tuesday	Stage 6
Wednesday	Year 10
Thursday	Year 9
Friday	Year 8

#### Support

Class		Schedule	
Our Place	Monday	9-11:00am	
	Tuesday	9-11:00am	
	Wednesday	9-11:00am	
	Thursday	9-11:00am	
	Friday	9-11:00am	
Miss Poole	Monday	9-11:00am	
	Tuesday	9-11:00am	
	Wednesday	9-11:00am	
	Thursday	9-11:00am	
	Friday	9-11:00am	
Miss Coote	Wednesday	10-1:30pm	
	Thursday	10-1:30pm	
Miss Doolan	Wednesday	9 - 12:30pm	
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This is why students need to meet a minimum standard of literacy and numeracy to receive the HSC from 2020.

### **ONLINE READING, WRITING AND NUMERACY TESTS**

- Students need to achieve Level 3 or 4 in short online tests of skills for everyday life.
- Schools will help students to decide when they are ready to take each test.
- Students get up to four times per year to sit each minimum standard reading, writing or numeracy test.
- Students **do not need** to sit the reading, writing or numeracy test(s) if they achieved Band 8 or above in the respective 2017 Year 9 NAPLAN test(s).

Due to the COVID-19 outbreak, Year 12 students yet to meet the standard can attempt **each test 6 times** in 2020.

#### PROVISIONS AND EXEMPTIONS

Provisions for the minimum standard tests are available for some students with disability. Some students with disability studying Life Skills courses may be exempt from meeting the minimum standard to receive their HSC credential.

FIND OUT MORE **NSW Education Standards Authority** 

educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/HSCminimumstandard





# Together In Art

An Art competition for Bourke Shire Residents

First Prize for each category: \$50



Categories:

Primary 4-11

High School 12-18

Adult- over 18



**Step 1** Watch https://youtu.be/3XsTkEXr2qo How to draw a face with Ben and Livvy Quilty

**Step 2** <u>Draw</u> a face on A4, of someone you know using any medium, pencil, paint, collage, pen, texta etc.

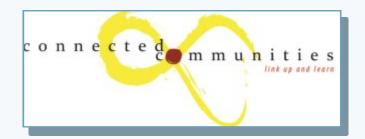
**Step 3** Message a photo of your art work, , your name, age and who your picture is of to the BACI facebook page:

https://www.facebook.com/bourkearts.council by Friday 22 May 5pm

Winners will be announced on Friday 29th May via

https://www.facebook.com/bourkearts.council

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#### Have your details changed?

If you have moved or changed your phone number please call the office and let us know.

If your child has medical information that is important to his/her health please call us so we can update your file. This includes information on allergies and medication.

If your child will be absent due to illness or family circumstances please call the office and let us know.



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