

30 September 2021

Dear Preschool – Year 6 families,

I hope the school holidays have provided time for a well deserved break from home learning. Our P-6 staff are looking forward to seeing the students online next week and it has been great to hear the ACT Government announce the return to on campus learning from Week 4.

Term 4

From Monday 25 October – the first day of Week 4 of Term 4 – preschool, kindergarten, years 1 and 2, year 6 and years 9 and 10 will return to on campus learning. From Monday 1 November – the first day of Week 5 of Term 4 – years 3, 4, 5 and years 7 and 8 will return to on campus learning.

In Weeks 1 - 3 we will continue to use the Seesaw learning platform for our P - 2 students and Google Classrooms for our Year 3 - 6 students. This includes our P - 2 Google Meet at 9:00am and our Year 3 - 6 Google Meet at 9:30am each day.

Onsite supervision will continue for vulnerable children and young people whose parents or carers cannot work from home, and for children whose parents are required to undertake work from home and cannot reasonably provide care whilst working.

Leadership

With Gareth Richards returning to Namadgi School, Jacqui Ford will be acting as the Executive Principal of the school until the process to fill the position permanently is completed. Janine De Simone will be acting as the 3 - 6 Disability Education Coordinator in Term 4. Thank you to Jacqui and Janine for their support this Term. I will also be continuing on in the P - 6 Principal role for Term 4 until the position is permanently filled.

Chromebooks

I would like to again acknowledge the efforts of our Education Support Office who helped distribute hundreds of Chromebooks to students in Years 3 - 6. When we return to onsite learning we request that all students return these devices as they will be required to support learning activities at school. Students are asked to bring their borrowed Chromebook to school where they will be cleaned and stored ready for use at school.

Attendance reminder

Below is a friendly reminder of our attendance procedures. Teachers submit their class roll each day at 2:00pm. Evidence of student attendance can be via:

- Student check-in through Google Meet, participating in an online learning chat or submitting a task
- An email from a parent/carer
- The parent/carer sending an SMS message to the school phone/service. This can include a response to the school attendance SMS.



If you need assistance or have questions please contact your child's classroom teacher in the first instance. You can also contact the school via – <mailto:info@harrison.act.edu.au>.

Kind regards,

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