



FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Dear Parents and Carers,

The Victorian Government has announced new arrangements for schools in Victoria from and including Friday 18 June.

From 11.59pm Thursday 17th, schools in metropolitan Melbourne and regional Victoria will now operate under the same settings.

Key changes:

- Secondary school students aged 12 or older across Victoria must wear face masks indoors at school and on public transport, and masks are recommended outdoors at school where physical distancing of 1.5m cannot be maintained.
- Visitors to school grounds are still limited and must also observe face mask requirements.
- Structured Workplace Learning (SWL) and work experience placements can recommence on-site throughout Victoria.
- Camps and overnight stays can take place within Victoria, with no travel restrictions. Multiple schools can attend camps providing school groups remain separated and do not share common facilities at the same time.
- Excursions and incursions are permitted throughout Victoria.
- Indoor and outdoor interschool sport can proceed throughout Victoria, and outdoor and indoor contact and non-contact physical activity is permitted.

This letter is also to provide you with important information about a new update on the health directions under which all schools will be required to operate.

The use of Service Victoria QR codes for electronic record keeping is mandatory for all workplaces to enable the effective contact tracing of any COVID-19 cases.

This now includes all education sector workplaces, including schools.

All visitors to the school are still limited and must register at the school office. Using the QR code system does not replace the existing requirement to also sign in at reception (for a specific purpose).

QR codes will be required to be used by:

- all parents who enter buildings when on the school site
- all visitors, including contractors, external Department staff and building and maintenance staff

QR code check ins will not be required for staff or students.

All building entry and exit points will now display QR code posters.

If you are required to enter buildings on school grounds, for whatever purpose, you are now required to use the provided QR code check-in.

If you are not able to check in using a smartphone or tablet, a Kiosk check-in service is available at the school office.

CURRICULUM DAYS RESCHEDULED FOR TERM 3

Our priority for the remainder of the term is to ensure our students are back and settled into the routines of school. I have therefore postponed our two curriculum days scheduled for next week, the last week of term 2. These have been rescheduled to Thursday 9 and Friday 10 September in Term 3.

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CITIZENSHIP ASSEMBLY & WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLIES

Due to COVID restrictions, parents are still unable to attend our whole school assemblies. In light of these restrictions I have postponed our Term 2 Citizenship assembly for later in Term 3.

SCHOOL TOURS CAN NOW TAKE PLACE

We will resume school tours for prospective parents next week and early Term 3.

MIDDLE AND SENIOR SCHOOL BODY EDUCATION

Due to our recent Remote Learning period, we've had to postpone the Body Education sessions. The Senior School will complete their final session in week 10 of this term,. We are still waiting to hear about availability for future sessions for Years 3 and 4. Once we have confirmed details we will refund or reallocate the funds already paid.

STAFFING CHANGES

As with most big schools, we have changes to our staffing for a variety of reasons. Firstly I would like to congratulate Mrs Kirsten Edbrooke on her promotion to Assistant Principal at Ballam Park Primary School commencing next term. Kirsten has been teaching at Mount Eliza North Primary for 10 years and has made a huge contribution to our school as a teacher and leader. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Kirsten for her outstanding work and wish her every success in her new role. We will miss her greatly!

I am very pleased to announce that Mrs Louise Atkinson has returned to Mount Eliza North in an ongoing capacity. As an experienced teacher, Louise will resume her dual role of Senior School Coordinator and Year 6 teacher. Our very talented Literacy Intervention teacher Mrs Sandy Bailey will be taking Long Service Leave for the remainder of the year. I would like to congratulate Mrs Susan Procter who will take on this very important role.

PARENT SURVEY

Thank you to those parents who have completed the survey to seek feedback about remote learning at our school. We value your contribution and will use it to review and make improvements should we need to move back to remote learning. Let's hope this never happens!!

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FFS6YDZ>

STUDENT REPORTS AND PARENT – TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Next Tuesday you will be able to access your child's Semester 1 2021 Student Report on the Sentral Parent Portal. See attached flyer for details of how to book a Parent - Teacher interview on Sentral.

With the last day of the term being Friday 25 June, a reminder students will be dismissed early at 2.30pm

Finally, thank you all once again for your support and understanding as we worked our way through onsite and remote learning in Term 2.

Enjoy the last week of term!

Kind regards,

Julie O'Brien
Principal

OFFICIAL FACEBOOK PAGE

Please like and follow our new official school Facebook account.

<https://www.facebook.com/MountElizaNorthPrimarySchool/>

This is a fun platform for parents to see our students engaging in activities. Due to restrictions parents are still not permitted in classrooms.



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Parent Teacher Interviews

WEDNESDAY 23rd JUNE

To book your interview time with your class teacher, please go to the Sentral Parent Portal. If you have not activated your portal recently, please ensure you do so. Please speak to the office for further assistance.

This year there are two options for interviews:

2.30pm—5.30pm—**ONSITE interviews** (held in classrooms)

6.00pm—8.00pm—**ZOOM only interviews**—teachers will send out Zoom codes

Interviews will be open from June 1st at 9.00am. On the app or web, select **interviews**. You will see you two options:

1. **Parent-Teacher Interviews**
2. **Specialists Parent-Teacher Interviews (optional)**

Please note: specialist interviews are only offered between 4—5.30pm and 6.00pm-7.00pm.

Cindy Minogue and Karen Ross are unavailable on Wednesdays so if you wish to have an interview with them please email them at cminogue@menps.vic.edu.au or kross@menps.vic.edu.au

Now do the following:

1. Press the **Select Timeslot** button
2. Select your time/s for your child/children
3. Press **Save bookings**
4. You will receive an email confirming your bookings
5. Bookings can be edited in the app or web page

Please Note:

- The duration of the interview is 10 minutes. If you require a longer period of time, please contact your class teacher to make an appointment for an alternate date and time
- Specialist interviews are only required if you have concerns or questions

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MOUNT ELIZA NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL – CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MAY 2021

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2	3 Junior School Incursion	4 Phonological Awareness Session Junior School Incursion	5 Junior School Incursion	6	7 2022 Foundation Tour	8
9	10 School Tour Yrs 1 -6	11 Naplan Yr 3 & 5	12 Naplan Yr 3 & 5 School Council Meeting	13 Naplan Yr 3 & 5	14 Naplan Yr 3 & 5 Junior School Assembly	15 Trivia Night
16	17 2022 Foundation Tour	18 Middle School Incursion	19 Senior School Incursion	20 Senior School Incursion 2022 Foundation Tour	21	22
23	24 Yr 5 & 6 Body Education session	25 2022 Foundation Tour	26 District Cross Country	27 Grandparents morning tea Open Night	28 Student free day	29
30	31 Remote learning starts					

JUNE 2021

		1 Yr 5 & 6 Body Education postponed	2	3 School Tour - Postponed	4	5
6	7	8	9 School Council Meeting 5.30pm	10	11	12
13	14 Queen's Birthday Holiday	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22 Reports available on Sentral Portal	23 Parent Teacher Interviews	24	25 Term 2 finish 2.30pm	26
27	28	29	30			

JULY 2021

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4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12 Term 3 Start Yr 3 & 4 Swimming	13 Yr 3 & 4 Swimming	14 Yr 3 & 4 Swimming	15 Yr 3 & 4 Swimming	16 Yr 3 & 4 Swimming	17
18	19 Junior School Swimming Group 1	20 Junior School Swimming	21 Junior School Swimming	22 Junior School Swimming	23 Junior School Swimming	24
25	26 Junior School Swimming Group 2	27 Junior School Swimming	28 Junior School Swimming	29 Junior School Swimming	30 Junior School Swimming	31

DATES FOR 2021

TERM DATES

Term 1: 27 January (Teachers start) to 1 April
 Term 2: 19 April to 25 June
 Term 3: 12 July to 17 September
 Term 4: 4 October to 17 December

SPECIAL DATES/CURRICULUM DAYS

9 March - Mount Eliza North PS Curriculum Day
 9th & 10th September - Mount Eliza North PS Curriculum Day