



COFFS HARBOUR SENIOR COLLEGE

BEGINNING OF TERM 4 UPDATE

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

“The beautiful thing about learning is that no-one can take it away from you” B.B. King. This is a great quote for all of us to hold on to as we begin Term 4.

The Higher School Certificate examinations will not begin until the 9 November and everyone will be following COVID-19 safe procedures. Remember to look after yourself and contact David Bateman or myself if there are any issues which might impact on your ability to complete the examinations. Here is a link to the NESA HSC rules and processes: <https://educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/wps/portal/nesa/11-12/hsc/rules-and-processes>.
<https://www.educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/wps/portal/nesa/11-12/hsc/rules-and-processes/illness-misadventure>

Please note that rooming for the examinations will be issued in the next few weeks. NESA Coronavirus advice for HSC students: <https://educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/wps/portal/nesa/about/news/covid-advice>

We were hoping that the COVID-19 restrictions would have been eased enough for us to include parents in the ceremonies this year. Unfortunately, at the time of writing this email there are still restrictions around parents being on site. This will also apply to the Year 11 Awards Ceremony being held on 26 October.

We will provide a video link for the ceremonies.

A single School Visitor Check-in system for every school across the state is coming from 18 October!

The Department of Education has partnered with Service NSW to provide a streamlined, digital school sign-in system for visitors and contractors at every NSW government school.

Benefits of the new system include:

- Accelerating your check-ins to as fast as 20 seconds!
- Linked to NSW Health's COVID-19 contact tracing ensuring every school is compliant with the NSW [COVID-19 mandate](#).
- Giving every school greater access to streamlined NSW Government services.

Watch our short [parent video](#) to see how it works for parents or our [contractor video](#).

Who can use School Visitor check-in

- Visitors such as parents and carers, contractors, service providers and volunteers.

Students or visitors under the age of 18 are not required to use School Visitor Check-in. School Visitor Check-in will be ready from 18 October at all NSW Government schools. For more information visit School Visitor Check-in on the department website.

Best wishes
Sam Hutton

INFORMATION FOR CLASS OF 2021 STUDENTS AND THEIR PARENTS

Year 12 Graduation Ceremony

Friday 3 December

D Theatre, CHEC

Students to arrive by 1pm.

Ceremony will commence at 1.30pm and finish at approximately 3.30pm.

Families are unable to attend. This event will be recorded. Information on how to access the recording will be provided.

Year 12 Formal

Saturday 4 December

Multipurpose Centre, CHEC

6:00 to 9:00pm

Doors will open at 5:45pm and will close at 6:15pm

This is a student and staff only event. Tickets are required for entry to this event. More information will be provided.

Return of Textbooks

As year 12 students sit for their HSC exams, they are asked to return their textbooks by placing them in the trolley provided outside the exam room. Please don't leave it until your last exam as prompt return of textbooks will enable them to be issued to Year 11 students, who have commenced their HSC courses. **Please do not return textbooks to teachers.**

Leaver's Clearance Form

At the completion of all HSC exams, students are asked to complete the Leaver's Clearance Form:

<https://seniorcollege.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/Leaver-clearance-2021.pdf>

The text book bond will be refunded upon completion of this form.

INFORMATION FOR CLASS OF 2022 PARENTS

Year 12 Parent Information Webinar.

As we are still unable to have parents onsite a webinar has been arranged for Thursday 21 October at 5pm. An invitation was emailed yesterday.

Year 11 Awards Ceremony

Unfortunately, due to COVID-19 restrictions parents and families are still unable to come on school grounds and attend the ceremony. This will be a short ceremony in D Theatre on 26 October where Major Award Winners will be acknowledged.

ATTENDANCE

Parents can request a leave pass to be issued throughout the day. These requests can be made in writing or by phone. All leave passes must be approved by the deputy principal and students must collect their approved leave pass from the front office.

Parents should apply for leave via the principal if the student will be absent for an extended period. The leave must meet the 'justified' purpose criteria and approval is at the discretion of the principal.

- If a child is representing the school in a sporting or other activity, the student will be marked "on school business".
- During teacher strikes, School Development Days or natural disasters a special circumstance register is to be kept for students who are in attendance.

COLLEGE CALENDAR

For the most up to date version always refer to the college website: <https://seniorcollege.com.au/collegeupdates/>