



# St Marys Senior High School

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Dear Students, Parents and Caregivers,

This update will be brief as we have only just begun the planning for Term 2, Week 3 following the Premier's announcement on Tuesday morning that students would return to school one day per week. Prior to this announcement, the staff of St Marys Senior High School had not been given any official advice or notification about the timing or manner in which students would be returning to school.

I have provided a brief summary of the announcement to support students and their families in their planning for Term 2. We are hoping to release a more detailed update to our school community early next week.

- The first two weeks of Term 2 will operate in the same manner as at the end of Term 1 - learning will be delivered remotely, whether students are onsite or offsite. The school is still open for students if they need to be at school, but the advice from the NSW Government remains the same, that parents are encouraged where possible to keep students at home to learn remotely.
- An additional Staff Development Day was announced by the NSW Government for Tuesday 28 April. This means that students will commence classes remotely on Wednesday 29 April.
- Please see the document attached "Managed Return to School for Term 2" which shows the long term plan for returning students to school full-time. During Weeks 1 and 2 of Term 2 we will remain in Phase 0. In Week 3 (11 May 2020) we move to Phase 1. I will be providing more details about the manner in which Phase 1 will be implemented at St Marys Senior High School during Week 1 of Term 2.

Thank you to all the students who completed the survey last term on remote learning. Our Head Teacher Learning and Wellbeing, Mel Jacka has been analysing the results and will provide further feedback next term.

Yours sincerely,

Sally Smithard  
Principal  
St Marys Senior High School  
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