

- HELENA COLLEGE -

Bringing out the best together

Monday, 23 March 2020

This morning, the Premier and the Minister for Education stated that WA schools will remain open until the end of Term One but that compulsory attendance for students has been relaxed, recognising that some families are making the choice to keep students at home.

For all our students, our priority remains teaching classes at school for those in attendance. I have asked that staff, where possible and within reason, assist students who are absent by providing/offering learning activities and resources.

We are not in a position to provide a full teaching and learning programme for absent students prior to a full transition to off-campus learning, a move that the government has chosen not to implement at this time.

However, we will do our best to support all families in a very difficult situation although as staff are fully engaged in classes, the provision may not be as comprehensive as the regular day to day programme. Please be mindful that this may mean a delay in responses to emails, phone calls and other requests for support/resources.

Preparing for off-campus learning

Helena College will provide an ongoing, full-time teaching and learning programme across all year levels in the event of a transition to off-campus learning.

SEQTA will be a primary method of providing resources and communicating, especially with senior school families. Please ensure you are able to access and use SEQTA Engage (parent portal). Check that you have the correct login and password. Contact Justin Hall or Bob Simpson as soon as possible if you don't have a working login and password or need help to navigate the site.

For Years 6-12, the transition to off-campus learning requires departments to send work home and this has already begun in some learning areas.

Term Two Events postponed or cancelled

- Year 10 work experience and hikes - Postponed with the hope of rescheduling in late Term Three. Students are no longer required to pursue placements at this time.
- Anzac Assembly - Cancelled (Y1-12 assembly that was scheduled for Term Two)