



Emmanuel Anglican College Community Update: 1 October 2021

Dear students, families and staff,

I hope all our students, families and teaching staff have had an enjoyable, relaxing and refreshing break and are ready for the term ahead. Term 4 will commence as scheduled on Tuesday 5 October 2021 for students from Kindergarten to Year 12. The College will continue to operate under Level 3 restrictions which are designed to minimise the risk of infection and spread of COVID-19.

'Stay at Home' Order for Kyogle LGA

A 'Stay at Home' order for the Kyogle LGA came into effect as of midnight on Thursday 30 September 2021 and requires anyone who was in the Kyogle LGA from September 21 to isolate until 11 October 2021 and only leave home for essential reasons. Students who have visited the Kyogle LGA during this time will need to isolate and cannot return to school. We anticipate this will only impact a very small number of students. Families who are in this position are asked to make contact with Mr Wayne Cross (Primary) or Mrs Amanda Middleton (Secondary).

Practising good health and hygiene habits

The return to school process will be supported by the following health and safety procedures:

- Any students and staff with cold and flu like symptoms or respiratory illness are to stay home, seek medical advice and get tested for COVID-19. They are not to return to school until symptoms are resolved.
- All staff and secondary school students must wear a mask in all indoor and outdoor areas including when travelling on buses. Primary students are actively encouraged to wear masks. Exemption exists for students with known health conditions. Parents are asked to provide supporting documentation if students seek an exemption.
- Regular hand washing will be encouraged throughout the school day. Hand sanitisers will be readily available and all toilets have soap dispensers.
- Additional cleaning of facilities and surfaces will occur during the day.
- Students are to bring water bottles to school and bubblers will now be refilling stations only.
- Doors and windows across the College will be open to promote cross flow ventilation.

College Procedures and Routines

- The College site remains closed to parents and visitors. The College Office will continue to operate in a virtual mode and can be contacted via email at enquiries@eac.nsw.edu.au or phone 66815054.
- The Coastal and Hinterland Bus Service will recommence on Tuesday 5 October 2021.
- Canteen service will resume on Tuesday 5 October for pre-orders only.
- After College Hours Care and Vacation Care services will continue as normal. Please direct enquiries to elc@eac.nsw.edu.au
- To promote physical distancing and reduce mixing of age groups, designated areas will be established for particular year groups and some staggered break times will be introduced.

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- All extra-curricular activities including Band, Choir, Excursions and Sport remain suspended.
- Assemblies and Chapel Services will continue in an online format.

Pick up and drop off procedures

Parents using the drop off and pick up zones are not to mingle, must practice physical distancing and are to wear masks at all times. Where possible, parents of Primary students are asked to utilise the following pick up times to help minimise congestion:

2.45pm - Kindergarten to Year 3

3.00pm - Year 4 to Year 6

Parents with children in multiple age groups are asked to pick all their children up at the latest relevant pick up time.

Secondary Morning Pastoral Care

All secondary students will continue to complete morning Pastoral Care in year based wellbeing groups in the following rooms:

	Brockington	Purcival	Smith	Walker
Year 7	ST1	ST2	ST3	ST4
Year 8	L3	Ezzy 1	L2	S1
Year 9	LS3	ST7	ST8	ST10
Year 10	D2	D3	D1	ST5b
Year 11	S3	S3	ST6	ST6
Year 12	TC3	TC3	TC4	TC4

Designated playground areas

Areas have been allocated to students to reduce mingling and mixing of students of different age groups. Prior to the commencement of the school day students are to go directly to these areas:

Year group(s)	Area	Year group(s)	Area
K- Year 2	Primary Oval	Year 7	Oval A (Southern end)
Years 3-4	Primary Undercover area	Year 8	Oval B (Northern end)
Years 5-6	Primary Court	Year 9	Undercover Area
		Year 10	Basketball Courts
		Year 11	Seated area near Library
		Year 12	Year 12 Common Room

General health advice

I ask all families to stay informed of the latest health advice, to be proactive in supporting our community efforts to protect ourselves against the risk of illness and to take up the opportunity to be vaccinated. The latest NSW Health advice can be found at <https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19>



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As we work towards the easing of further restrictions, I ask all our community to be particularly vigilant in following the required health advice and protocols. Once again, I thank you for your support, patience and goodwill as we continue to navigate these uncertain times together.

Your faithfully,

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