

## Remote and Flexible Learning at Home - Term Two

(Students)

#### We ask parents to please discuss these messages with their children before Wednesday.

#### Dear Holy Rosary Student,

It's nearly Term 2 and you are in for a really exciting challenge; you'll be learning from home. One day you will enjoy school back at Holy Rosary, but for now lots of things will be different. You will not be in your usual classroom with your classroom teacher but thanks to technology, you will still be able to see and hear from your teacher, and learn all sorts of wonderful things. You should be really excited about your learning this term.

To help this term work smoothly we need to tell you some rules to help you make the most of your learning at home.

#### Your Learning

- Our focus is to support you with your learning. Your focus should be to make the most of your learning time.
- Your teachers are available and want to communicate with you. Likewise, you need to communicate with your teachers. You can do this via email.
- Check emails and online platforms each day and engage in all learning.
- Attend class meetings and workshops that may be offered to you.
- Your learning device (iPad, laptop etc) should be in an area you share with your parents. Devices should not be in bedrooms or other rooms where there is no adult supervision.
- If you are borrowing a school device, your parent can collect it on Wednesday.
- When using devices and platforms you should follow class expectations. There should be no food or drink while using a device. When you are communicating with your teacher and your classmates you will follow classroom rules. The teacher will initiate the conversation and students will respond in a respectful manner.
- You might like to make a Do Not Disturb sign to show your family that you are working or wear headphones if you'd like to block out other noise.
- You should not have music on as you work.
- Your teachers will provide you with a suggested timetable. Many of you will need to negotiate the timetable with your parents to fit in with their work schedule and the needs of other family members.



- At Holy Rosary, we say that 'learning is our responsibility'. You need to stay focused and be responsible for completing the tasks your teachers have prepared for you. If you need help you should email your class teacher or specialist teacher (Jodie, Andrea, Stacey, Pippa, Ruth, Julia). It is a good idea to read and re-read task directions that you receive before emailing for help.
- We have developed a new learning platform called 'The Learning Space.' It will be a great space to learn new skills, try some virtual learning experiences and give you some ideas to care for your wellbeing. We'll share it with you soon.

#### Your Wellbeing

- Remember Safety is our Right, Learning is our Responsibility and Respect is our Way. These are our Holy Rosary expectations and they work really well at home, too. When we follow these expectations, we all stay safe and comfortable, and our skills and knowledge grow.
- If you are feeling stressed or anxious and you want to speak to someone about this, please speak to an adult. You could contact one of the five people in your personal safety network. You could also contact other Holy Rosary staff. Please email them and they will organise a time to speak with you. We've included an email list for you.
- At Holy Rosary, safety is an expectation. Continue good hand washing practices and physical distancing (1.5metres). Keep your workspace and your device clean.

I wish you a wonderful term learning at home. Show your growth mindset by embracing all the wonderful learning opportunities you have. Remember that if you have any questions, you need help, or you want to share any great news, we're all only an email away.

See you soon!

Christine



### Here are some other ways you should extend your learning each day.

Suggested Tasks		
Journal or other reflective task	Journal, make a movie, write, draw about your experiences of living through this time of self-isolation.	
Household chores	Regular chores and learn new skills; make a meal, learn to iron, hang out the washing, clean the car.	
Practical Tasks	Learn your parents mobile number, your address, how to tie shoelaces, how to call emergency services.	
Other interests and hobbies	Music or sport practice, art etc.	
Explore The Learning Space	This is changing every day. There's so much to explore. What could you add to The Learning Space?	
Tasks related to specific learning goals	Eg: Learn multiplication facts, spelling, reading fluency, proofreading skills etc.	
Personal Interest Learning- Learn a new skill or enhance one you already have	Learn to play chess, write stories, make movies, decorate a cake, create a blog, meditate, learn to ride a bike etc.	
Daily act of kindness	Learn a new prayer, use an app for meditation, write a prayer, practise mindful colouring.	

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