

Wilsonton State High School

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Dear Wilsonton State High School Family,

Welcome to the first edition of **Learning@WilsontonSHS**. This publication will be updated weekly while we continue to operate a blended learning system due to the current COVID 19 situation. Our school is very much looking forward to having everyone return in the future but until then, we will continue to operate our blended learning offerings.

Each week you will be able to access any updates from myself along with other great opportunities - for example book reviews, wellbeing and learning tips, weekly tasks required to be submitted by students as well as each week the School Captains will be providing their Captains Chat.

Each week I will provide information that will be useful to both our students and you our Parents and Caregivers.

- **Weekly Tasks required for submission** – last week you will have received the first weekly list of tasks that students are required to **submit each week**. Each week our school will continue to publish this list of student tasks. The expectation is that students will submit these tasks as required, either online or by dropping their tasks to school. At school there is a box located directly out the front of the office where students can drop their work *without the need to enter the office*. Please ensure all work submitted in this paper format is clearly marked with the student's name. These weekly tasks can be located via the [link](#) on the front page of this newsletter.
- **Student Check In emails** – each morning as you would be aware, students are sent an **email to their student (school) account** asking them to check in for the day. **A response is required by 9.15 am**. If a student does not reply to the email by this time, a text message will be sent shortly afterwards to you the Parents and Caregivers, to follow up their learning status for the day. Attached to the email each day are the weekly learning tasks and timetable of learning with the teachers who are available online during lesson times to answer questions.
- **Print Materials** – the materials for weeks 2 and 3 have now been made available for collection to those families (without internet access) who have requested these. Print materials for weeks 4 and 5 will be available during week 3, upon receipt of all learning tasks required for weeks 1 and 2.
- **Office Restrictions** – in order to minimise the traffic in the office we have had to implement strict processes that limit the number of people in the office at any one time. We thank you for your assistance with this. Our office continues to be available to support you via the school phone number 46390444 or by emailing lwool2@eq.edu.au
- **Laptops** – we have provided laptops for students to use at home. We obviously have a limited stock and have prioritised the allocation firstly to students in the senior school. If you feel a laptop would provide assistance, please contact the year level Deputy Principal who will be able to talk this through with you (Year 7 Miss Sippel, Year 8 Mr Nugent, Years 9 & Year 10 Mr Power, Years 11 & 12 Mr Nugent)
- **Daily Challenges** – I would encourage you and your students to look at our Facebook page each day and interact with the challenges posted. This is a great way for our students to continue to interact as part of our school community.
- **Weekly Check In** - regularly a member of our support team (Mr Masters, Miss Battistuzzi, Mr Adshead, Mr Flett, Mrs Smith, Katherine (Beyond Broncos) and the Clontarf Team will continue to be in contact with families of students who are learning at home. The aim of this communication is to make sure that your child's learning is progressing well and they have been communicating with their teachers as well as accessing the wellbeing information provided.

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- **Expectations of Learning** – students are still expected to access and participate with the student resources if they are learning from home. Each week the Deputy Principals will be receiving a report detailing every student’s submissions. For any students who have not completed their learning tasks, they and their families will be contacted so that discussions can occur and work completed immediately.
 - **ANZAC Day** – Saturday was ANZAC Day. We certainly missed being able to celebrate this great day but regardless of this point, we did not let the opportunity go by without paying our respects. Please click on the [link](#) to watch our school acknowledgement of this important day in history.
 - **Term 1 Reporting** – as you will be aware, we had to postpone reporting in Term One. These reports will be emailed at the end of Week Three (8 May 2020) to the email address that is listed on your child’s records. *If you need to update your email address please contact Nadonna Schouten in the office or on nscho44@eq.edu.au.*
 - **Wellbeing** – just a reminder that each of the learning courses have links to wellbeing programs and assistance points. Mr Masters and the Support Team continue to be available via phone and email to support students at this time.
 - **Tuckshop** – the tuckshop continues to operate at school in a limited capacity.
 - **IT Support** – just a reminder that any IT support is available through itsupport@wilsontonshs.eq.edu.au

Your support and partnership in this uncertain time continues to be appreciated as we strive for the most successful outcomes in the current environment.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Marcus Jones', written in a cursive style.

Marcus Jones
Principal