



Q&A - Starting Term 2

Term 2 starts tomorrow, Wednesday 15th of April, for all our students whether you are studying on-campus or off-campus.

Be prepared for learning to look different this term and the first 1-2 weeks will be unstructured as we all get used to learning in a contemporary way. Connecting with our students and families is our top priority during this time.

Is school open?

- Yes, we are open and we will be providing education through online & on-campus modes. On-site learning is available for:
 - Students of essential workers, broadly defined by the Prime Minister and other leaders to include front line workers or anyone who has a job.
 - For children who are not able to be supervised at home or, whose parents can't work from home and no other arrangements can be made.
 - For vulnerable children.

We understand that having everyone home and trying to supervise learning could be challenging. If you are struggling please do not hesitate to speak with your child's classroom teacher.

Can my child come to school for only a couple of days per week?

- Yes, during this time if you are working part-time and are unable to supervise your child on your work days, you can send them to school
- Our recommendation, to support continuous learning, try to keep learning all at home or all at school rather than mixing the two.

Are learning hours as normal?

- On-campus students will be doing a normal 8:50am - 3:10pm learning day structured in a similar way to off-campus learning.
- We are recommending for those learning off-campus a three hour block of time. You may be juggling your own work from home schedule so choose a block of time that works with your family – remember that a few hours of quality learning for your child/ren will be extremely valuable.

What does off-campus learning look like?

- The contemporary learning approach aims to purposefully and effectively integrate a range of learning methods (ie: face-to-face, online, mobile, distance and social) across physical and virtual environments.
 - We will have Zoom sessions which will be direct teaching from our staff with their class,
 - All activities will be accessible online (email, uEducateUs) and through our resource boxes that will be going home.
 - The activities will **not** require your child to be on the internet or using devices constantly. Teachers will be sending parents more detailed information over this week, each specific to the differing ages.

What if I don't have enough devices or internet?

- The school at this point is unable to supply students with devices to use at home.
- Teachers will be contacting each family individually over this week so we can support you and your family the best way we can. This means that whether you have spare devices or no devices, lots of internet or none at all, we will work with you to develop a way of providing quality education.
- Once we have a good idea of what your family needs we will be putting together resource boxes which will be available for pick up (drive through) or delivery. Once these boxes of goodies are ready you will be sent an email notification.

How is the school communicating with my family?

- Our staff will be using our normal communication methods of phone, email and uEducateUs to keep you informed about what is happening.
- Teachers will respond within 2 school days to communications received from parents or students.

How can my family communicate with the School and teachers?

- We want to stay connected so please contact the teachers by email or uEducateUs for general enquiries please contact the school office by phone or email.

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What is happening for the first day of Term 2?

- Remember, these first few weeks will be unstructured.
- Look out for email from our teachers which will be coming out today. These emails will include information specific to each class and include some activities to get everyone started in learning for Term 2.

BCCS is here to support each family as we partner to educate as a community. This will be a bit messy and will not look like school as we have known it in the past. Let's be kind and gracious with one another