

Online learning Fact sheet

ONLINE LEARNING INFORMATION

Scots All Saints College is currently operating as normal and classes will continue as timetabled. However, the teachers are well-prepared to deliver the curriculum online for the students to work at home if they are self-isolating or if they are boarders who have remained at home. This will be done via Canvas and your child is already familiar with this program. Our priority is keeping the students calm and progressing through their studies in a sequenced, practical manner. For students who, for whatever reason, are not currently attending classes, teachers will be adding normal class material to Canvas (Year 5-12) and Seesaw (Years K-4). If you need assistance accessing these systems, please contact our IT team via email: it@scotsallsaints.nsw.edu.au

We have asked teachers to funnel all of their communication regarding academic work through Canvas and Seesaw, supplemented by emails. Feedback for absent students should also be made in this way. We are working towards a consistent presentation of material across all subjects so that students (and parents) can be looking in the same familiar places in each course. Be aware that some students can often get through the allocated work more efficiently than others so completing set work for a specific lesson in less than 50 minutes may not be unusual. We are confident that this approach will give absent students the basis to continue with their work. As the situation continues to unfold, we will keep you up-to-date with any changes that may take place.

Pre-Kindergarten – All Campuses

Our Pre-Kindergarten Campuses remain open on all campuses. If you have opted to keep your child at home here are a few activities which you might like to undertake at present:

- Read a story to your child every day and discuss the setting, characters and plot.
- What are some clever ways of teaching Maths around the house? For example: how many pegs were used to hang the clothes out?
- Practise a range of fine motor skills.
- What are some ways you can investigate and explore around the home? For example what types of birds can be found in the backyard?
- Allow time for regular movement breaks and activities of a physical nature.
- Take some time for skills that foster independence- for example setting the table, making the bed.

Junior School (Kindergarten-Year 4; All Saints Campus)

Junior School teachers will notify you via Seesaw with a range of activities that your child/children can complete during the day. These activities will be uploaded daily at 9:00 am.

To access these activities, your child will need a Home Learning QR Code. The Home Learning QR code will be placed in the student's diary or if your child is already at home it will be placed with the texts and resources listed below for you to collect.

To access Seesaw Home Learning, go to <https://web.seesaw.me> on a computer or install the Seesaw Class iOS or Android app.

Tap "I'm a student." Scan or type in your Home Learning Code. Please keep the QR code in a secure and accessible part of your home.

The activities will be provided in an easy to read template that will provide you with a quick reference point for tasks for the day. You will find this reference point by clicking on the 'Inbox' on the right hand side of the page.

Children benefit from structure and routines to thrive. Creating routines that repeat day after day will help your child settle into home learning quickly. When receiving learning activities from school, create a schedule and learning space with your child so you have a daily routine to complete lessons and share learning experiences.

Remember to keep it simple, fun and provide opportunities for lots of movement and brain breaks.

Home learning recognises that a child's home and community is a powerful learning environment and a direct source of information. Home learning requires that teachers and family members work together to support rigorous, continuous learning experiences inside and outside of school walls.

For those families who have opted for their child/ children to learn at home; we ask that you collect the following textbooks and resources to take home to them to assist with home learning:

- Targeting Handwriting Text
- Reading Conventions (Yr 1-4)
- Maths Plus Mentals and Homework Book
- THRASS Chart (All Saints Campus)
- Hundreds Chart (All Saints Campus)
- Diary with passwords for online learning programs
- A blank exercise book which they can refer to as their 'Home Learning Book.'
- Seesaw home learning code

If your child is not attending school, I ask that you email your child's teacher to arrange an appropriate time to collect these resources.

The home learning book can be used for students to write in for spelling, writing and other activities then take a photo in Seesaw to upload for their teacher.

To assist in developing these routines, we recommend the following time allocations each day:

- Literacy- 1 and 1/2- 2hours
- Numeracy- 1 hour
- Physical Activity- 1 hour
- Other- 1 hour (This could be Geography, Languages, Art, Health or Science)

Lithgow Campus

Mrs Pringle continues to offer face to face learning in the classroom. With the unique size and location of the Lithgow Campus we ask that you email Mrs Pringle directly should you wish to commence learning from home for your child. Should you wish to choose this option, Mrs Pringle will notify you via Seesaw with a range of activities that your child/children can complete during the day. The information stated above will then apply to how you will access your child's learning. After notifying Mrs Pringle we ask for your patience in allowing her to prepare your child's daily learning.

Middle School and Senior School

Years 5 and 6

Stage 3 will be using Canvas to provide the students with access to the learning materials they require. The teachers will post an announcement each day, which can be accessed via their child's school email address, with links to the learning activity and instructions, plus a method of returning completed work to the teacher for marking or comments. Where possible, we will send home books the students will need (such as a math's text book), however, we will also provide a scanned version of relevant pages for students who have been unable to take these books home. If your child is not returning to school, I ask that you email your child's teacher to arrange an appropriate time to collect these resources if possible.

The teacher will base the daily activities they set on their child's regular timetable and there will be online activities set. The students have their online passwords in their school diaries.

Years 7 to 12

Each subject has its own course on Canvas. Students should organise their day at home as if they were working from their school timetable. For example, if they have a Mathematics lesson on a Monday, then they should expect to do the equivalent amount of time on Mathematics at home that day.

Your child will need to take home the following to assist them with their home learning:

- Textbooks
- Exercise books
- Scientific calculator
- English novels (if applicable)
- Pencil case
- Laptop
- Any other material they would normally use in class

If you are in a situation where you have limited access to "workable" internet, please let your teacher know and they can make other arrangements to ensure that course materials are provided.

If your child has any questions they can email the relevant teacher.