

Pittwater House

From the Principal

2 April 2020

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Pittwater House is moving toward the end of our second week of Remote Learning.

During this time there has been a huge shift in what learning looks like for our students, parents and teachers. We are most grateful to you for providing us with feedback, together with that gathered from students and Staff. This has been analysed in terms of what appears to be working for all parties and that which needs some tweaking or modification; and what the future of Remote Learning should look like. We have also been researching this mode of delivery with heightened urgency.

We believe that we will be working in this Remote environment for at least some, if not all of Term 2. Therefore, for this to be sustainable and designed in the best possible format, Pittwater House will be holding student free Staff Professional Development days for Kindergarten to Year 12 from **Tuesday 7 April to Thursday 9 April.** Therefore, there will be no lessons delivered on these three days. We will, however, be recommending Years 11 and 12 to use these days to work on their various assessments, revision and consolidation tasks. ECC will operate as normal.

Our School will be open **only for students of essential services workers** who do not have care planned, however, no lessons will be held either on or off campus on these three days. Thus, it will be childcare only.

We apologise for any inconvenience these unscheduled Professional Development days may cause; however, we are confident that they will enable a heightened level of productivity and an even more positive learning experience for everyone in Term 2.

If you have any queries, please contact the Deputy Principal, Mr James Walmsley on james.walmsley@tphs.nsw.edu.au.

With my gratitude to you all.

Yours sincerely

Dr Nancy Hillier Principal and CEO

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