



# Ambarvale High School

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## Advice to Parents and Students

You may be aware that on Monday 23 March 2020 the NSW **Premier encouraged parents to keep their children home for the remainder of term 1**. For practical reasons, we strongly support this advice.

Please note that **Ambarvale High School** remains open for students who are unable to stay at home.

If your child is staying home	If your child is coming to school
<p>If your child is staying home, we ask that in the interest of public health you discuss with them the importance of <b>remaining at home</b> and not being out and about in the community (unless they are with you on essential business).</p> <p>From today, <b>absences will be marked as Leave - explained</b>.</p> <p>No SMS messages will be sent until further notice.</p> <p>We are working hard to create a '<b>one stop shop</b>' for online learning.</p> <p>Today we will be placing a link on our website and FaceBook page that will take you and your child to a separate page called <b>AHS Learn@Home</b>. Here you will find links to meaningful and program-specific school work, organised by Year Groups and Subjects.</p> <p>Please be patient as we develop the necessary resources to support your child.</p> <p><i>Continued over</i></p>	<p>If your child is coming to school, classes are running, largely as normal with some variation to groupings, and with an increased focus on online work. Occasionally, some classes may be combined (same subject, same course), but only if the total number of students in the space is less than 10.</p> <p>Can we ask that you impress upon your child the absolute need to maintain <b>social distancing</b> and to practise all of the <b>advised hygiene protocols</b> such as hand washing and drying, and the use and disposal of tissues for coughing and sneezing (or coughing or sneezing into their elbow).</p> <p>If your child develops <b>cold-like symptoms</b> (fever, cough, sore throat, and/or running nose) please <b>keep them at home</b> until the symptoms cease.</p> <p>No SMS messages will be sent until further notice. Please contact the school if you have any questions or concerns regarding your child's attendance.</p> <p><i>Continued over</i></p>

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<p><b>If your child is in years 7-10 and does not have a computer or internet access</b>, hard copy packages of work will be available from the school. Please phone ahead to request a package for your child. You will need to come to the school to collect it once it has been prepared.</p> <p><b>If your child is in years 11 or 12 and does not have a computer or internet access</b>, please contact the Head Teacher Wellbeing to discuss the options available.</p>	<p>School looks and feels like a different place at the moment, however <b>all normal school rules and expectations are in place</b>, and students should be alert to this.</p> <p>Our <b>canteen is closed</b>. All students attending school need to bring their recess and lunch with them.</p>



**Ms Louise Barnott-Clement**  
**Principal**

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