

DC Community Update Term 3 – Week 6, 2022



From the Principal

Yuma and good afternoon students and families,

We successfully moved staff and classes back into upstairs N-Block for the beginning of this week. This transition has been smooth, and I have noted that the college feels a lot calmer this week.

As a school we celebrated Wear IT Purple Day today. It was nice to see staff and students wearing purple or rainbow colours and enjoying cupcakes from the student led stall in the canteen at recess. Mine was very nice – thank you.

We are about to head into the busy end of the term in relation to assessment and the Year 12 AST. Please note the message in this update covering crossline testing for Maths and Science. Year 12 AST will be conducted on Tuesday and Wednesday in week 8. All Year 12 students sitting the AST need to attend the final information session on Monday 5 September during line 3, in the College Hall. I would like to take this opportunity to wish our Year 12 students all the best in the AST. I am confident that they have had good preparation and will do their best on the day, this always relates strongly to results.

Regards

Craig

Schedule for Maths and Science Crossline Tests

All crossline tests will be held in the Gym and the venue for students with special provisions is S31. Please come to the venue five minutes prior to the starting time.

Students are required to attend all classes of subject areas other than Science and Tertiary Maths when they do not take tests. All Science and Tertiary Maths classes will be flexed in this testing period between 7th September and 12th September.

Any student that will not be able to attend a test at the scheduled time due to illness (including Covid), will have to let school know by sending an email at DicksonC.absences@ed.act.edu.au. The first option is to reschedule tests for later between 7th and 12th of September or Catchup sessions by talking to either Head of SHAPE, Josephine Kim or Head of Maths, Chris Hammerer.

You must provide appropriate evidence to explain your absence from the assessment. For illness you require a medical certificate, for Covid you require evidence of a positive PCR test (not just a RAT), and for other circumstances you are recommended to speak to your Engagement Advisor as soon as possible.

If you have any questions, please speak to either your Engagement Advisor or your classroom teacher.

	Start	
Wednesday, 7 th September	1:55	Mathematical Methods 2 Specialist Methods 2
Thursday, 8 th September	Pupil free day	
Friday, 9 th September	8:50	Mathematical Applications 2
	10:40	Chemistry 2 Mathematical Applications 4
	1:25	Mathematical Methods 4 Specialist Methods 4
Monday, 12 th September	8:50	Oceanography
	10:40	Physics 2 Earth and Environmental Science
	1:55	Biology 2 Biology 4
Tuesday, 13 th September	11:45	Science Catchup Session 1
	1:55	Science Catchup Session 2
Thursday, 22 nd September	2:30	Maths Catchup Session

School Satisfaction Survey

The School Satisfaction Survey is now open. All parents and carers have received an email with the link to complete the survey. We very much appreciate your time to complete the survey as it gives the school crucial information in areas where we can improve.

The students will be completing the survey in class; **Week 7, Tuesday 30 August (line 7).**

Legal Aid

A reminder that a Legal Aid representative visits our school every 2nd Wednesday on even weeks. The next visit will be 7 September. Jodie is in the room near the library, and it is a drop-in service. Students can make an appointment via Student Engagement if desired.

The college lawyer can help across a range of issues including:

Criminal law

Dealing with police

Living away from home

Going to court

School issues

Discrimination

Protection orders

Family violence

Insurance

Important Dates

Week 7	
Monday 29 August	SHLiRPS
Tuesday 30 August	SHLiRPS
Thursday 1 September	Yr 12 Trial feedback session -2.30pm
Week 8	
Monday 5 September	AST Information session – line 3, Year 12
Tuesday 6 & Wednesday 7 September	AST Year 12 - Session 1 & 2
Wednesday 7 September	AST Year 12 – Session 3 (am only) Crossline Testing - starts at 1.55pm
Thursday 8 September	Pupil Free Day – ACT Gov initiative for planning
Friday 9 September	Crossline Testing
Week 9	
Monday 12 September	Crossline Testing
Tuesday 13 September	Catchup crossline testing (Science)
Wednesday 14 September	Catchup crossline testing (Maths)
Thursday 15 September	Pupil Free Day – Normal DC Semester Schedule for assessment and moderation
Friday 16 September	Pupil Free Day - Normal DC Semester Schedule for assessment and moderation

Week 10	
Tuesday 20 September	Reports sent out
Friday 23 September	Last day of term

Term 4

Week 11	
Monday 10 October	Start of Term 4
Thursday 13 October	Parent Teacher Evening
Week 16	
Monday 14 November	Year 12 Assembly
Tuesday 15 November	Last day of classes
Wednesday 16 November	Crossline Testing
Thursday 17 November	Crossline Testing
Friday 18 November	Crossline Testing
Week 17	
Monday 21 November	Year 11 AST Trial
Tuesday 22 November	Year 11 AST Trial (am only)
Wednesday 23 November	Handback Day
Week 18	
Monday 28 November	Year 12 Formal
Week 10	
Thursday 15 December	DC Graduation
Friday 16 December	Last day Term.

DC hoodies

A new shipment of DC hoodies has just arrived ! For a small investment of \$60 you too can be the proud owner of one of the much sought after, high quality DC hoodies! They do keep you very warm on these cold winter days.

They are available from the front office so get in quick.

