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## **Commencement of Lindisfarne@SCU Community Outreach Program Important information for Queensland based students and families**

Dear members of the Lindisfarne School Community,

These are complicated and complex times in which we live, learn and work.

As you know, Lindisfarne has remained committed to providing the best possible educational programs and pastoral support measures throughout the inevitable changes resulting from the COVID-19 restrictions and lockdowns. Today, we are pleased to announce the **Lindisfarne@SCU - Community Outreach Program**.

Through the generosity and support from Southern Cross University, Lindisfarne Anglican Grammar School is able to offer an outreach opportunity to families on the Queensland side of the border, providing a safe and supportive learning environment for the Lindisfarne students and families that are living under very different Queensland Health restrictions and requirements at this time. The Outreach Program will make use of the University's currently unoccupied Queensland campus as Southern Cross University students continue to engage in their studies online.

Queensland-based Lindisfarne students and families can continue their remote and online learning in their own home or they can now undertake that learning supervised by some of our Lindisfarne Queensland-based staff through our Lindisfarne@SCU Community Outreach program.

At this stage the University has provided access through until Friday, 17 September, the end of Term 3 and we are in discussions to extend the program into Term 4 if necessary.

Commencing on Wednesday, 1 September, Southern Cross University has kindly provided Lindisfarne staff and students exclusive use of an entire floor in their "A Block" facility. Families will have the option of delivering their P-12 year level student(s) into the care and supervision of Lindisfarne staff where they will be supported in their online learning on the grounds of Southern Cross University-Gold Coast Campus. Preschool students will be able to attend with Mrs Hetherington leading her team to support our preschoolers with their learning. The Outreach Program will be open at SCU from 8.00am to 3.30pm. Hours of schooling for all students remain the same as regular school hours.

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| Preschool | 8.40am - 2.45pm |
| K-4:      | 8.40am - 3.00pm |
| 5-12:     | 8.20am - 3.20pm |

It will be necessary for parents/carers wishing to utilise this program to deliver their child(ren) to a member of the Lindisfarne staff at the designated point (map below), who will register their attendance in accordance with relevant Queensland Public Health Orders and restrictions. Recently, Queensland returned to [Stage 3 restrictions](#) throughout the State with the exception that masks will still be required by high school students and school staff in the 11 affected South East Queensland LGAs for at least the next two weeks. Further information regarding COVID-19 compliance requirements for the use of SCU facilities is below.

At the conclusion of the school day, parents will be required to collect their child(ren) from the designated pickup/dropoff point (map below). Unfortunately, catering facilities are not available so **students will need to bring their own morning tea, lunch, water bottles and hat. Students will need to bring their school IT device (iPad or MacBook) fully charged and ready for the day as well as their headphones and their charger.** In order to ensure identification of Lindisfarne students, students in attendance will need to be in school uniform. Correctly worn formal or sports uniforms will be acceptable.

During the day, students will be supported with their online learning, following the programs and schedules set by their classroom teacher(s). Break times will be supervised in the outdoor areas adjacent to "A block" and will provide students with a welcome reprieve from their screens.

Lindisfarne has enjoyed a long and productive relationship with Southern Cross University and we are grateful to their leadership team, in particular Ben Roche - Vice President (Engagement) for supporting the education and pastoral care of Lindisfarne students.

As stated earlier, this program will remain in place until the end of Term 3, with discussions already taking place to continue the partnership beyond the holiday break if required.

If you would like to access Lindisfarne@SCU, please complete this [registration form](#) by **5.00pm Tuesday, 31 August**. A new form will be sent to parents every Thursday for the following week's registration.

In order to safely utilise the SCU facility, all staff and students must adhere to the current Queensland Public Health directives. These include:

1. Wearing face masks
  - a. In the 11 affected South East Queensland LGAs, masks must be worn by teachers and staff (all schools), plus students in high school, unless you can stay 1.5 metres apart from other people. This applies to both indoors and outdoors.
  - b. If you are able to remain 1.5 metres apart from others in a school setting you are able to remove your mask.
  - c. Parents/carers will also need to adhere to the COVID-19 restrictions including wearing masks in and around the Lindisfarne occupied building(s) where you cannot be 1.5 metres from other people.
  - d. There are a number of exceptions to wearing face masks, including for children under 12 (unless they are in Year 7) and people with particular medical conditions or disabilities. Some of these exceptions include:
    - i. anyone who has a medical condition or disability that may be made worse by wearing a mask, including problems with their breathing, a serious skin condition on their face, a mental health condition or experienced trauma
    - ii. anyone who is communicating with those who are deaf or hard of hearing, where the ability to see the mouth is essential for communication.

2. Parents/Carers will only be able to access identified areas as indicated on the map provided.
3. All staff and any other adult person entering the area will be required to sign in via the QLD COVID-19 QR Code.
4. Appropriate hygiene and sanitisation measures will be in place with hand sanitiser and frequent cleaning taking place throughout the day.
5. If feeling unwell or experiencing any COVID-19 symptoms no matter how mild you must stay away and get tested and not return until you have a negative test result.

We know too that this remains a time of great challenge in the state of New South Wales and also for our northern New South Wales based students, families and staff who all remain learning remotely from home due to the current statewide New South Wales lockdown.

As always the School remains committed to providing continuity of learning at this time through the combined and committed efforts of our dedicated staff, students and school families.

Lindisfarne will continue to support any children of essential workers and those who are vulnerable at both our Mahers Lane and Sunshine Avenue campuses.

Should you require any further assistance regarding your child attending the Lindisfarne@SCU - Community Outreach Program please contact your respective Head of Subschool, Mark Douglas, [mdouglas@lindisfarne.nsw.edu.au](mailto:mdouglas@lindisfarne.nsw.edu.au), Jeremy Godden, [jgodden@lindisfarne.nsw.edu.au](mailto:jgodden@lindisfarne.nsw.edu.au), Kate Cornell, [kate.cornell@lindisfarne.nsw.edu.au](mailto:kate.cornell@lindisfarne.nsw.edu.au) or Jo Hetherington, [jhetherington@lindisfarne.nsw.edu.au](mailto:jhetherington@lindisfarne.nsw.edu.au).

Kind regards,



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Attachments: 2 x maps of SCU

