

Message from the principal

2/03/2022

The health and wellbeing of our children, staff and community is a top priority. Therefore, to ensure continuity of learning and the well-being of our students we are going to move to a hybrid learning model for the remainder of the term starting Monday 7th March. The intention is to remain in hybrid learning until the end of Term 1 and return to a full school programme Term 2. This decision has been made in consultation with the Ministry of Education, Wairoa College Board, staff, and students.

Hybrid Model

Year 7 to 10 students would all be at school on Thursdays and Fridays. They would be distance learning Monday to Wednesday except if caregivers need students to come to school as they need supervision. These students would need to report to the Hall at 8.45am each morning. They will be placed in bubble groups. Supervised students will be on site as normal from 8.45am – 3pm. They would be continuing with the same online work as distance learners. If you require your child to be supervised Monday and Tuesday, please notify the school office or email info@wairoacollege.school.nz. Wednesday is learning from home for the whole school.

Year 11-13 students would be at school on Monday and Tuesdays. We will change the timetable to 6 periods a day to ensure they see each of their subject teachers twice. For the rest of the week, they would be distance learning.

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
Year 7 and 8	Distance Learning	Distance Learning	Distance learning	At school	At school
Year 9 and 10	Distance Learning	Distance Learning	Distance Learning	At school	At school
Year 11-13	At school	At school	Distance Learning	Distance Learning	Distance Learning

Our special needs unit will be available for face-to-face learning at school Monday/Tuesday and Thursday/ Friday. Wednesday students will be learning from home. Please contact Jenny Ratcliffe for resources to support this.

2022 Wairoa College Student Laptop Loan Agreement

Over the last few weeks students should have brought home a contract to have signed and returned if they would need to borrow a device in the case of distance learning. Seniors will have priority. You can follow this link to find the contract if you have not signed one yet and your child would need a device for distance learning.

https://www.wairoacollege.school.nz/.../student_laptop...

Signed contracts can be handed in at the office.

Devices

Devices will be issued to seniors' period 5 Tuesday 8th March. Year 7 and 8 teachers will give students their school device this Friday if they have returned a device agreement form. We will issue Year 9 and 10 devices next week on Friday 11th March.

	Devices
Year 7 and 8	Given school device Thursday morning, take home Friday afternoon if Loan Agreement signed
Year 9 and 10	Given school device and kept at home if Loan Agreement signed
Year 11-13	Take school device home each day, carry them with them if Loan Agreement signed

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