



30 April 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

As you will know **End-point assessments** (EPAs) start next week and will take place from Tuesday 4 to Monday 17 May inclusive. That means our second years are coming to the end of their classroom teaching and formal lessons here at BHASVIC and this may lead to a mix of emotions! I know their time here has been less than optimal, and they have navigated that brilliantly. I will reflect more on this when I do a video talk for Leavers Day (Friday 28 May). In the meantime, I hope they are feeling confident and ready to take their assessments and to show us what they can do!

I hope those who attended the **Higher Education Information Evening** found it useful. We will shortly post a subtitled recording on our website for those who were unable to make it. We have a **Specialist Application Higher Education Information Evening** on Tuesday 25 May. Details to be circulated in due course.

We have shared the following information with students and are also sharing it with you:

The following couple of points are relevant to all students during the EPA period. It is really important that you all:

- Remember there is **no staggered timetable**. Both EPAs and lessons will revert to our standard lesson times (see timetable image on the front of the VLE for a reminder)
- **Keep noise to a minimum** around the site during lesson times

The following information is relevant to those who will be taking an EPA:

- **Check what rooms you are in** (Rooms are listed in Student Advantage>Exams>Option 5 'Your Entries') and **find rooms in advance** of your EPA
- **Wait outside buildings** until just before sessions start, in order to reduce congestion and hanging around in corridors – the session will start at the given time, the assessment will start when people are settled
- There is lots of **important information** around EPAs on our **FAQ section** – please do take time to read it (it contains everything you need to know from being absent/late to face coverings). You can [view FAQs here](#).

For those with Access arrangements (extra time, scribe, etc.):

- Agreed access arrangements will be in place for your EPA – go to the room allocated
- Students who may use Word Processors will be seated in Computer Rooms (whether you choose to use the PC or not)
- 'Separate Invigilation' is occurring naturally as all students will be seated in a smaller room rather than a large exam hall in line with our policy

Please do remind students of this information as appropriate.

I do hope you are able to enjoy the Bank Holiday weekend.

Best wishes,

William Baldwin
Principal