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From the Office of the Principal

3 August 2020.

Dear Parents/Guardians and Staff,

Yesterday afternoon the Victorian Government announced that, on the advice of the Victorian Chief Health Officer, regional and rural Victoria will move to Stage 3 restrictions and metropolitan Melbourne will move to Stage 4 restrictions to slow the spread of coronavirus (COVID-19).

These requirements apply to all schools in metropolitan Melbourne and rural and regional Victoria.

The changes to schools' operations will come into effect from Wednesday 5 August, following a student free day on Tuesday 4 August, and are likely to apply until the end of Term 3.

As outlined in the Chief Health Officer's advice on Friday, schools remain safe places for staff and students – but these steps are critical measures to reduce the movement of students and families across the state.

There are implications for our school, and for families in our school community.

A summary of what the changes mean for our College is below.

Prep to Year 10

- Prep to Year 10 students will continue with remote and flexible learning.
- The criteria for students that can attend on-site has changed as follows:
 - Children whose parents are permitted workers. The Victorian Government will provide further advice about this later today.
 - Vulnerable children in out of home care, children known to child protection and other agencies and children the school identifies as vulnerable.
 - Children with a disability who also fit one of the above two categories.

Senior Secondary Year 11 & 12 (VCE & VCAL)

- All Year 11 and 12 provision for both VCE and VCAL will move to remote and flexible learning.
- The GAT will be rescheduled from Wednesday 9 September to Wednesday 7 October.
- The schedule for the VCE examinations and release of results will remain as previously advised.
- Further information about consideration of disadvantage and coronavirus (COVID-19) will be provided shortly.



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Specialist Schools

- On-site provision in specialist schools will only be available to children whose parents are permitted workers, and vulnerable children.

Timeline

- The College is closed from 3 August to 7 August due to a confirmed case of COVID-19. As a result of the closure, all P-12 students will commence their flexible and remote learning arrangements from today until at least 13 September.
- Tuesday 4 August will be a student-free day to enable teachers to fully prepare for the coming six weeks. Students will be able to attend the College, only if needed, to collect learning materials. A schedule of collection times will be communicated shortly.

Staffing

- Schools will ensure sufficient staff are available for necessary on-site supervision.
- Staff not required for on-site supervision will work from home.

I will continue to provide further updates as more information comes to hand.

Thank you for your understanding and support.

Yours sincerely,

Mr. Michael Kenny
Principal