

23 July 2020

Dear Students and Families,

I trust that you are well and staying as safe as you can. This update includes information about masks in schools from the Victorian Government, and also the delivery of art packs for students taking Visual Arts and Visual Communication and Design.

## Masks

Earlier this week, the Victorian Government announced that those in metropolitan Melbourne and Mitchell Shire must wear a face covering when they leave home from 11.59 pm on Wednesday 22 July 2020.

Face coverings will be mandatory for people aged 12 and over. These measures will slow the spread of coronavirus (COVID-19) and help protect our school community.

All our students who are attending onsite for onsite supervision, and those attending VCE/VET classes at Sydenham, will need to wear a face covering, including when travelling to and from school.

Parents and carers will be required to wear face coverings whenever they leave the house, including for school drop-off and pick-up.

Students or staff who have a medical condition – including problems with their breathing, a serious skin condition on the face, a disability or a mental health condition – are not required to wear a face covering.

The Department of Health and Human Services website has advice about face coverings, including:

- which different types can be used
- how to make your own
- how to safely wear one
- how to safely remove it.

## **Delivery of Art Packs**

Beginning tomorrow, staff will deliver art packs to all students taking Visual Arts, Visual Communication and Design, and Sculpture. With over 400 deliveries to make, this will take most of next week. The deliveries will be contactless, with staff ringing the bell and leaving the package on the porch or somewhere similar. Please watch out for this.

Thank you for your support in limiting the spread of COVID-19 and keeping our school community safe.

Yours sincerely

Christina Utri

Principal