

26 May 2021

Dear Students and Families,

I hope that this update finds you well.

As you would be aware, the Victorian Government has announced that additional COVID Safe measures will be in place from 6pm on Tuesday 25 May, in metropolitan Melbourne.

Changes to the <u>COVID Safe settings</u> include new limits to public and private gatherings and changes to mask wearing in some settings.

Schools will remain open with the current restrictions that are in place. There are no changes to existing density rules.

As our school is located in metropolitan Melbourne:

- School staff and secondary school students aged 12 or older must carry a face mask at all times and wear a face mask indoors when at school, unless a <u>lawful exception applies</u>.
- Face masks are mandatory for all school staff and school students aged 12 or older on public transport and when in taxis or ride share vehicles. This includes travelling to and from school on public transport or in a vehicle with others not from your household.
- Teachers and education support staff are not required to wear face masks while teaching, but those who wish to do so, can.

Visitors and parents continue to be welcome at our school but must also observe face mask requirements.

In light of the evolving situation around the current COVID outbreak, we have decided to postpone Friday's Feast Day. It will now take place in Term 3 or Term 4. Friday will now be a normal Day 5.

In addition, we have also cancelled Monday's Year 7 excursion to the Chinese museum. A decision on next week's Premier League is still to be made by SACCSS.

At this stage, all other school activities including the after school program will run as normal.

These measures are aimed at giving health authorities the best opportunity to stop the spread of the virus in our community.

Families are reminded that it is important that students do not come to school if they are unwell.

Thank you for your understanding and support as we continue to implement COVID Safe practices at our school.

Yours sincerely

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