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COVID Update

Dear Annesley Community,

We had an outstanding start to Term 3, and it was delightful to see so many community members enjoying our grounds before and after school today. We welcomed our new Mid-Year Reception class today who had a very smooth and enjoyable start to their formal schooling. The Junior School (Reception to Year 7) is the largest it has been in its 119 year history. Look out for our video later this week! We have so much to be grateful for and yet I write with a heavy heart.

We have an experienced team of professionals on our COVID Response Team. Members include; Principal, Deputy Principal, Business Manager, Head of Primary Years, Head of Learning and Teaching, ICT Manager, Coordinator of Innovation and Technologies and Risk & Compliance Officer. Our COVID Response Team met today in light of the COVID case in SA and the increasing situation in Victoria and NSW. We reviewed our well-established processes and procedures and are well prepared in the event that we either have a COVID case in our community or are directed to move to Distance Learning. We will only commence Distance Learning if directed to do so by the State Government.

I write to you this evening in light of the SA Government's press conference late this afternoon, where a range of measures were announced to be in place from 12:01am. This is not a letter I wanted to write or information I wanted to have to share; again.

We respectfully ask parents and caregivers to action the following;

- Use our QR code when entering Annesley grounds as per our communication earlier today.
- ELC; Drop your child to their room, sign them in and minimise time in their room.
- Reception (including our new Mid-Year Reception class); Drop your child to their room and minimise your time in their room.
- Year 1 to Year 7; Utilise the 'Kiss and Drop' zone and encourage your child to be independent in meeting their teacher and entering their learning space. We will increase the number of staff on 'Kiss and Drop duty' for the rest of this week to assist in the flow of traffic. Thank you in advance for honouring the set guidelines and respecting the staff on duty.
- Only enter the campus if you must and minimise your time on campus. For me, this is the hardest information to share as I truly value the moments of community connection that occur before and after school as families enjoy our beautiful outdoor spaces. Until the new State Government measures ease, we ask that this does not occur.
- Visiting adults must wear masks while inside the school's buildings during the peak times of 8:15am to 9:15am and 2:45pm to 4.00pm.

Teaching staff will continue to communicate and share learning via Seesaw and school wide communication will continue to be shared via School Stream. We thank you for your cooperation, understanding and partnership.





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We will keep you updated, as we have since the pandemic began, in a timely and thorough manner.

Warm regards,



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Principal

