

Thursday 27 May 2021



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Dear Parents and Guardians,

This morning's announcement by the Victorian Government has brought to an end the relative freedoms we have enjoyed over past months. It is important that we maintain confidence in the Victorian authorities and the decisions taken, especially in relation to the health and wellbeing of the young people in our care.

With the announcement of a lockdown, onsite learning and teaching at Sacred Heart College is not possible until Friday 4 June 2021 and we will return to Remote Schooling arrangements next week.

At this stage, we have not made any plans if the lockdown is extended beyond seven days but will monitor that closely next week and communicate with students and families if necessary.

A summary of these arrangements is included below:

### **Year 7 – 12 Classes**

- **Classes will run from Year 7 – 12 from Monday 31 – Thursday 3 May under arrangements similar to previous arrangements.**
- There will be no classes tomorrow (Friday 28 May) to allow teachers preparation time ahead of the period of remote schooling.
- Every scheduled class in Years 7 - 12 will include a starting Zoom or equivalent 'touching base' to mark the roll and check that all students are okay.
- Work will be placed on Google Classrooms for all students.
- As was the case last year, Year 7 – 10 classes will run for 60 minutes with Year 11 – 12 classes running to a normal timetable.
- Where possible, scheduled assessments will be delayed under face-to-face schooling returns.
- The scheduled Year 8 – 11 exam period has been postponed for one week with full details to be communicated to students next week.

### **Remote Learning Handbook**

Updated Remote Learning Handbooks will be emailed to parents and students today or tomorrow and will also be available via SIMON and the PAM portal.

### **College Activities and Excursions**

All activities and excursions scheduled for next week will be rescheduled or cancelled.

### **Wellbeing**

The arrangements that were in place to support the wellbeing of students during remote schooling last year will return. Homeroom teachers, Year Level Leaders and the College's Wellbeing team will remain the 'go to' supports for parents and families.

## **Onsite Supervision**

The College will provide onsite supervision for students of essential workers where no other supervision arrangements are possible. Supervision arrangements will be similar to what was provided during previous lockdowns. Full details on the College's onsite supervision arrangements are included on the College website ([www.shckyneton.catholic.edu.au](http://www.shckyneton.catholic.edu.au)) under Coronanvirus information.

## **Collection of Materials**

Students who were absent from the College today or who may have left materials in their lockers will be able to collect these from the College tomorrow morning. Please ring College Reception on arrival and you will escorted while onsite.

I wish everyone in the Sacred Heart College community all the very best for the next few days and look forward to welcoming students back onsite next Friday morning.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'D. Egberts', with a stylized, cursive script.

**Dr Darren Egberts**  
**Principal**