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ASSUMPTION COLLEGE

Dear Members of the Assumption College Community,

This morning Premier Daniel Andrews announced that state school students will be staying home from today and that their teachers will take the coming week to prepare an online curriculum in case they need to deliver this to their students in the new Term.

Assumption College will follow this lead and so from today, our students are on their Easter Holidays. Teachers will remain at school tomorrow, and then have the option of working from home for the remainder of the week. That said, we will still have a number of staff on site through until Friday and will be happy to take your call should needs be.

Following the school holidays, school will recommence for students on Wednesday April 15th. Whilst our preference will be to conduct classes onsite here at the College, it is more likely that classes will be delivered online. I will continue to keep you updated over the coming weeks.

Additional Services

Parents of Year 7 & 8 students who work in Essential Services should have received an email earlier today offering assistance with the supervision of your child for the remainder of this week. For this reason, you may see some of our school buses will running their regular services for the remainder of the week! Year 9-12 children who are vulnerable or have special needs (and whose carers also work in Essential Services) are welcome to contact the College to see if this service can be extended to them.

Year 7 parents will also have received an email about the immunisations scheduled for Wednesday which will go ahead if parents/carers can bring their child to the College.

Physical Repairs for Laptops

We are planning for different scenarios to ensure we can continue to provide laptop repairs for students studying at home and you will be able to visit the ICT support desk at school. If you are able to come to school, ICT will remain 'open for business' and our staff will be able to assist you in person at school. Just visit reception first to sign in, then proceed to the ICT help desk.

If you are unable to come to the school we can still help. We will arrange for your laptop to be couriered to school for repair. When you report your ICT issue by email or phone, just indicate if you require a courier service. The process may take a few more days or even a week, so if you have no other online options at home please let us know and we may be able to send you out a loan laptop.

If the situation arises where we are not able to operate school services onsite, we will need to move to full courier service. We will advise if this becomes the situation.

Holidays

My strong advice to families is that our students avoid gatherings over the break. Students ought to be home based as much as possible; socialise with friends online and perhaps help around the house as much as possible.

I take this opportunity to once again congratulate our students for their flexibility, cooperation and good humour, my colleagues for their hard work and professionalism and our families for their confidence and support.

Yours faithfully,



Kate Fogarty
Principal

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