



20th July 2021

Dear Parent/Caregiver,

You would be aware that today it was announced that South Australia will be going into a seven-day lockdown, beginning at 6pm this evening.

The Leadership Team have met and have discussed the arrangements for the College during this period.

Wednesday 20th July will be a student-free day, to enable staff to prepare for remote learning. This arrangement is consistent across all three education sectors within South Australia (Independent, Catholic and Government schools).

From Thursday 21st through to Tuesday 27th July, students will be undertaking remote learning from home. During this period, the children of essential workers and vulnerable children are able to be supervised, on-site, during normal school hours (unless required to self-isolate by SA Health). Minimal staff will be on-site to support this arrangement. **If you intend to send your child to school for either of these reasons, please contact the High School or Primary School Office and inform us of your plans for these four days, by 12pm tomorrow (Wednesday).** Changes to those arrangements can be catered for with advanced notice.

High School Arrangements

Remote learning will occur from Thursday 21st through to Tuesday 27th July. Canvas will be the primary medium of course delivery and communication to students. Arrangements include:

- Community Teachers posting a Canvas announcement to their Communities tomorrow. **A virtual Community will be held at 8:35am on each of the four days.** In most cases, this will be via Zoom and in some cases, it will be via Canvas discussion. Attendance at this Virtual Community will be officially recorded as per usual requirements (i.e., will be considered their daily attendance "at school") and this time will also be used as a general pastoral 'check-in' to ensure students are ok.
- Each subject teacher posting a Canvas announcement for each subject by approximately 10am Thursday to indicate what students can work on, over the four school days of lockdown. There may be further announcements made after this point, but they are expected to be minimal. Teachers will not expect students will be learning at full capacity at this stage, but a reasonable amount of learning will take place.



- Students may be required to join a Zoom class for their subject over this period. If that is the case, students will be aware of this via Canvas announcement, and if required, it will be scheduled within a timetabled lesson for that subject.

Primary School Arrangements

Remote learning will occur from Thursday 21st through to Tuesday 27th July. Canvas will be the primary method of communication to students and parents. Please note:

- On Canvas, each year level will have a 'Cedar at Home' button on their home page to access remote learning and activities which will be available Thursday morning.
- Each day the classroom teacher will post a Canvas message welcoming the students and to provide any information for the day.
- You will be able to communicate with your child's teacher through Canvas if you have any questions throughout the day.
- There will be more information sent through Canvas on Thursday.

We ask that all members of our school community please continue to use QR Codes or manual sign in for any places attended outside your homes. You would be aware that there have been a number of exposure sites in our area, and this has proven to be one of the best lines of defence for our school community. Please also continue to maintain the sound hygiene practices we have come to know well.

Thank you once again for your cooperation and understanding at this time. We appreciate that this is a significant undertaking for you and your family. Your child's teacher, our support staff and I are here to support you where we can. We continue to pray for the conditions in our state to improve and hope for some encouraging results by the time this lockdown is complete. If you have any questions, please contact us at the school, or for questions related to classes or subjects, please message your child's classroom or subject teacher via Canvas.

Regards,

Peter Thomson (Principal) & the Leadership Team