8 April, 2020



Dear Parents,

On the advice of the Victorian Chief Health Officer, the Catholic Education Commission of Victoria (CECV) advises that all Victorian Catholic schools are required to transition to remote and flexible learning arrangements.

The Chief Health Officer has advised that these arrangements should remain in place for the duration of Term Two.

As we act to slow the spread of coronavirus, we have been asked to communicate to students and parents that all children who can learn at home **must** learn from home.

All students should be learning from home, with the following exceptions:

- Children who are not able to be supervised at home and on days when no other arrangements can be made. This includes children of parents who cannot work from home eg. essential workers such as nurses, doctors, supermarket workers, teachers and businesses open to provide essential services to the community.
- Children the school has identified as vulnerable eg. children in out-of-home care, children deemed by Child Protection and/or Family Services to be at risk

A skeletal staff will be on hand to supervise any students who may need to attend school. The learning program delivered onsite will be identical to the learning program delivered to students undertaking remote learning at home.

To facilitate the supervision of any student who must attend school onsite, <u>for the above reasons</u>, **all families** are asked to complete the attached form and return it to <u>frontoffice@hrkensington.catholic.edu.au</u> by this Friday 10th April. Please note that we will not respond to this email. The student/supervisor ratio has been mandated and cannot be exceeded. Therefore, it is imperative that you complete and return this form, and provide advance notice if your situation changes, as this will impact staffing.

If your child will be attending school onsite, please also indicate whether you would require Outside School Hours Care, and if this would be for morning, afternoon sessions, or both.

We can appreciate that you are keen to know the specifics of our remote learning plan, and we are working hard to finalise the finer details before Term Two begins. We will keep you informed.

Again, I thank you for your support as we navigate this challenging time together. We have appreciated your affirming emails.

Warm Regards,

Chris