## **MADDINGLEY CAMPUS**



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Dear Parents/Guardians,

I hope you remain well. The Premier's announcements of yesterday leave us with a very confused and (for this school) difficult landscape to manage.

The following are clear and have been confirmed with DHHS and ISV.

- i) Students from Prep to Year 12 who live in Metropolitan Melbourne will continue to work from home <u>unless</u> they are children of essential workers or are unable to work from home.
- ii) Students from Regional Victoria who are in Prep to Year 2 or studying a VCE Unit 3/4 subject may return to school to end this term.
- iii) Teachers who cross from Metropolitan Melbourne to Regional Victoria will need to get COVID tested twice a week. The school is arranging Rapid Antigen Testing for these staff members. This <u>is not</u> a requirement for students of essential workers students or who are unable to work from home who have been approved to attend the campus.

Given that our cohort is a combination of metropolitan and regional staff and students, we will continue to support all students with online learning for the remainder of this week. Prep – Year 2 and Year 12 (Unit 3/4) regional students will be encouraged to attend onsite from Monday 13 September. Metropolitan students will continue to be provided consistent and quality remote learning from home.

Please find the details Prep to Year 2 and Year 12 (Unit 3/4) below:

## Prep-Year 2

All Prep to Year 2 classes will continue to be provided with quality teaching and learning through the current online platform. For students who are from metropolitan Melbourne or for families who wish to keep their regional students learning from home – online classes via Teams will continue. For regional Prep to Year 2 students who attend onsite, students will be in Year level classes completing learning consistent with their online counterparts. Learning will be presented by registered teachers in combined class groups.

## Students Studying Unit 3/4 Subjects

All Unit 3/4 teachers will continue to be providing quality teaching through zoom class and online support and learning materials. <u>Regional</u> students studying a Unit 3 & 4 subject will be welcome to attend onsite from Monday 13 September and will join their teachers in classrooms while the online lessons are being conducted. We are keen to ensure all our students, both metropolitan and regional, are participating in the same lessons and are completing any remaining assessment tasks under the same conditions.

I again thank you for your ongoing support and the support you are delivering to your children and their learning. I suspect next week is the start of a process of moving to a new relationship with COVID, that will hopefully see an end or reduction to the cycle of disruption to schools that has existed over the past 18 months.

Kind regards,

Mr Andrew A. Neal - Principal