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Dear Parents/Carers

COMMUNITY HEALTH – CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) UPDATE

The National Cabinet met today, and the Prime Minister confirmed that schools will remain open at this time. We appreciate your understanding as we navigate these unprecedented events.

Please be aware of the following updates with regards to our College protocols and procedures.

International Travel - Families and Staff

Based on guidelines from the Australian Government, if you are travelling to any country outside of Australia, we would ask you to self-isolate upon your return to Australia for 14 days.

If you do intend to travel overseas or if you have visitors staying with you from overseas, we continue to request that you notify us by email at community.health@genesis.qld.edu.au

If you have been in close contact with someone who already has Novel Coronavirus

You need to self-isolate for 14 days from the last date of contact with the confirmed case.

For further health advice, please visit the Department of Health website:

Assemblies and Chapels

As a precaution at this time, the school will temporarily cease the holding of Assemblies and Chapel Services.

Internal Protocols the College will be undertaking

Several hand sanitiser stations are located around the College and students will be asked to use hand sanitiser or wash their hands prior to entering each class/classroom.

All students coming to First Aid with cold or flu like symptoms will have their temperature taken. If their temperature is higher than the normal range, parents will be contacted and asked to collect their child. In this case, we would ask parents to keep their child at home until they are well.

If your child is unwell and you are at all concerned, please keep them home and seek medical advice. If Secondary students need to self-isolate due to the virus, and miss assessment, they must complete the appropriate AARA and Special Consideration form found on Parent Lounge. Parents can contact the relevant Care and Conduct Leader if assistance is required.

Camps/Excursions/Sport

Temporarily, all camps and excursions will be postponed until further notice. Specific advice will be provided to Year levels or class groups who have a scheduled camp or excursion prior to the Easter holidays.

Sporting commitments will be reviewed in coming days and parents will be notified if there are changes to the normal program.

Please watch for further updates regarding College activities specific to Year level and groups via the College App and Facebook.

Yours sincerely

Senior Leadership Team