



# ST PIUS X COLLEGE

## CHATSWOOD

From the Principal  
**Mr John Couani**

19 May 2020

Dear parents and caregivers

Following the Premier's announcement last night (which is attached) that NSW Government schools would return to full time face to face teaching from Monday 25 May, I have consulted with EREA and the College Leadership Team and we have decided that the College will return to full time face to face teaching from Monday 25 May.

In making this decision, I wish to recognise the efforts of the College staff who have worked so consistently to deliver our Online Learning Program. The transition to face to face teaching over the past weeks has been very successful and I thank all staff and students for the way that they have worked so well together.

There will be some further considerations of the implications of this decision and I reassure parents that we will continue to ensure the safety and wellbeing of all. Some considerations are listed below:

- The public transport system has been very good these past few weeks and I reinforce the statement from the Premier that "School students will be given priority access and will not be left behind at bus stops and train stations."
- The College Online Learning Plan concludes this Friday. From Monday 25 May only one mode of teaching will apply and that is face to face teaching.
- The Chatswood Campus will return to full use next week.
- There will continue to be a major emphasis on health practices, hygiene and cleaning.
- There will still be no assemblies and no excursions.
- Oxford Falls – commences this week with Years 5, 6 and 9 and next week as per normal class schedules.
- School buses to Oxford Falls do not need to be as per public transport regulations for social distancing but we are ordering additional buses to ease seating congestion.
- Performing Arts Ensembles are back in normal operation from next week. Music tuition is also back in normal operation from next week.
- No Sports training yet. No inter-school competition in Term 2.

In closing, I once again thank the College community of students, staff, parents and caregivers for their support. I will write more details in Woodchatta tomorrow.

Yours sincerely

John Couani  
**Principal**

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