



COVID –Communication #9

Friday 28 May 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

As you are aware, on Thursday 27 May 2021, the Victorian Government announced new directions to help reduce community movement and prevent the spread of COVID-19.

As a result, in line with the directions issued from Victoria's Chief Health Officer, all Victorian schools will move to a period of remote and flexible learning from Friday 28 May to Thursday 3 June inclusive. Remote and flexible learning will begin on Monday 31 May.

All students will be learning from home from 28 May – 3 June, except for students

- Where both parents and or carers are considered authorised workers
- Vulnerable children

During this period, St Fidelis PS will, to the extent possible, endeavour to enable continuity of learning from home. This will include remote learning programs and/or the provision of learning materials. The learning program delivered on-site will be the same as the learning program delivered to students undertaking remote learning.

On returning to school on Friday 4 June 2021, St Fidelis PS' COVID Safe Plan will incorporate the principles for maintaining a COVID Safe school, as outlined for all Victorian Catholic Schools, by the Melbourne Archdiocese of Catholic Schools (MACS).

The key behaviours still required for reducing COVID-19 transmission risk include:

- Staying home when unwell
- Performing regular hand hygiene
- Physical distancing
- Face masks (inside and outside)

Density limits of 1 person per 4 square metres now apply in generally accessed areas of the school by the public. Therefore the school reception area will be the only area that visitors will be able to enter via Saunders street. This area can only accommodate 2 people at a time.

Until further notice unfortunately parent helpers will not be permitted to assist in classrooms .

Visitors are permitted to enter the grounds, however, we ask that parents/carers do not enter the buildings (with the exception of the office reception area). On entering this area, we ask that you sign in via the QR code.

We are hoping to see you all back at school on Friday 4 June 2021.

Stay safe.

Kind regards

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