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Dear Parents, Guardians and Students,

In light of the everchanging circumstances around COVID-19 I would like to provide you with an update as to the advice the College has received from CEWA in line with WA Health. Please note that the processes are in place to deal with a situation whereby the College community must contend with large caseloads.

- Students to continue following mask protocols, please bring masks from home.
- If a student feels unwell, they should remain at home and normal absence procedures followed
- We strongly advise that the student undertakes a Rapid Antigen Test (RAT) or PCR Test.
- If this is negative students should not return to school until such time as they are no longer experiencing symptoms. The need to take another RAT or PCR Test may be prudent.
- If a RAT is positive, students must take a PCR Test and isolate until a result is received. There is no need to inform the College of a positive RAT.
- I would ask that if a student tests positive through a RAT or PCR Test that this is not posted on social media. Such actions can have a very negative impact on the wider community.
- If students are deemed as a close contact and receive a message from WA Health, then they must follow those directions. Please also notify the College via the Absentee Form on the College App.
- A 'COVID Return to School' form must be completed before a student can return to school following isolation.
- If a student returns a positive PCR Test, please inform the College via the Absentee Form on the College App and follow all WA Health advice.
- Once a positive case has been confirmed by WA Health, the College will then follow both WA Health / CEWA guidelines to adequately inform the school community.
- It is important to remember we are not health experts and should you have any concerns for your child's health please contact WA Health.

I appreciate the ongoing challenges COVID–19 is posing and should you seek further support please do not hesitate to contact the College.

Kind regards

Mr Paul Watson
Principal

Students to follow mask protocols.

If a student feels unwell they should remain at home and normal absence procedures followed.

We strongly advise that students undertake a RAT or PCR Test if unwell.

# COVID-19 positive or close contact?

## COVID-19 POSITIVE VIA PCR TEST

1. **Follow WA Health directive**
2. **Notify the College** via the College App
3. If no symptoms after Day 7, complete 'COVID Return to School' form and **return to school**

## COVID-19 POSITIVE VIA RAT

1. **Take a PCR Test** and isolate until result is received. No need to notify the College at this stage.
2. If PCR Test is **negative**, and no symptoms, **return to school.**

   If PCR Test is **positive**, follow directions for **COVID-19 Positive via PCR Test (Yellow column)**

## CLOSE CONTACT

1. **Follow WA Health directive**
2. **Notify the College** via the College App
3. When leaving self isolation take a **PCR Test or RAT**
4. Complete 'COVID Return to School' form and provide ECC with a **copy of negative result** or declaration **before return to school**

**For more COVID information call the COVID Hotline 13 26843**

For school information call 9414 4000