



**MAZENOD
COLLEGE**

1 April 2022

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

The support from our students, staff and families continues to be excellent as COVID-19 cases increase. Since our last communication on Friday 25 March 2022, we have had 23 positive COVID-19 cases in the school. Our staff have liaised directly with families identified as close contacts.

Thank you to families for arranging to immediately pick up their children from school once identified as a close contact. Please continue to advise of positive COVID-19 cases via <https://cewa-collections.powerappsportals.com/COVID-19-Self-Reporting-Form/>

On 29 March, the Minister for Education, Sue Ellery, announced projected changes to operating guidelines for Term 2 with the focus on keeping schools open and safe.

We will write with more precise details closer to the commencement of the new term. At a glance, some of the changes for Term 2 include:

STUDENTS

- School events bigger than a single class size may be held with masks and physical distancing.
- Single year group assemblies can be held.
- Schools to maintain separation of mixed year groups, where possible.
- Sporting events, including interschool sport, can resume.

PARENTS

Parents are allowed on school sites for:

- outside school pick up/drop off
- face to face parent- teacher meetings where appropriate
- attending year group assemblies
- volunteering outside of classrooms
- infrequent special events

Parents are allowed to spectate at indoor/outdoor sporting events, performances and other interschool events.

Gatherings of parents can occur with mask wearing.

Parents are still precluded from visiting classrooms during class time.

COLLEGE EVENTS

Music and Drama programs can take place within the following parameters:

- Fresh air and well-ventilated spaces
- Classes run outside where possible
- Physical distancing required
- Rehearsals to be less than 2 hours in length

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"Come, learn what you are in the eyes of God."

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We have had an increased number of staff impacted in the past few weeks and the support and understanding of our community has been outstanding. We look forward to providing details specific to events and activities prior to the commencement of the new term.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Andrew Watson', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Andrew Watson
Principal