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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

The support being offered by our College community in these challenging times continues to be outstanding. We are also having to be decisive and flexible with decisions concerning the pastoral and academic welfare of our students and staff. Yesterday, I communicated with our Boarding community that Cebula Boarding House will close this Thursday, 26 March for the interim period.

Today we have 48% of students attending the College with face to face classes and the remaining 52% of the school community choosing to stay home. We are fully respectful of the decisions being made by families.

With many students at home, we are accelerating our move to a new model of learning. From Monday, 30 March we will transition to a remote learning model. The Education Continuity Plan accompanies this letter. Parents continue to have a choice as to whether their children will access the remote learning via attendance at school or from home. The provision for parents wishing to send their children to school will remain in place and available in line with government expectations. If you choose to send your son to school, contact the College daily by using the College number 9291 1500 or email bishop.janine@mazenod.wa.edu.au.

This Friday, 27 March will be a staff professional day at the College. We apologise for the short notice and appreciate this may cause inconvenience for some families. However, it is essential that our dedicated teachers are given time for planning in order to start next Monday in the best possible position for continuity of learning. You may wish to send your son to school and he will be supervised with work to do; however, individual classes will not run. Canteen will be available. I ask that parents notify the College if they intend to send their son to school on Friday. This will assist with planning. Please use the College number 9291 1500 or email bishop.janine@mazenod.wa.edu.au

There will be more specific information forwarded to you regarding such things as student wellbeing and care. I express my thanks to all our students, staff and parents for their ongoing support and cooperation.

Yours sincerely

Andrew Watson Principal

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