

CATHOLIC REGIONAL COLLEGE CAROLINE SPRINGS

5 August 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

This afternoon the Victorian Premier Dan Andrews announced a state-wide lockdown for Victoria from 8:00pm tonight, for the next seven days. The College Leadership Team met this afternoon to develop contingency plans in response to the announcement.

The following decisions have been made:

- Friday 6 August will be a full school closure day, as staff will be preparing for remote learning which will begin on Monday 9 August. Timetabled classes will not be running tomorrow, and students may use this time to catch up and complete any tasks. The College offices and reception will not be open on Friday 6 August
- From **Monday 9 August to Thursday 12 August**, homeroom will be conducted on MS Teams and classes will be conducted remotely, which may include a combination of Microsoft Teams and SEQTA coursework (this information will be communicated by the subject teacher)
- Students can access the Remote Learning Guidelines & Microsoft Teams instructions through the Student Portal on SEQTA
- At this stage it is anticipated that all students will return onsite next Friday 13 August. However further information and updates will be provided next week.

It is recommended that students use tomorrow, Friday 6 August to catch up on work and begin preparing themselves for a move to remote learning.

The Victorian Government has also released a list of Tier 1 exposure sites in Caroline Springs (see link below). If you, your child, or a family member were at **any of these sites at the times and dates** listed, you will need contact the College and follow the formal Government health advice, immediately get a COVID test and isolate for 14 days.

For the full list of regularly updated exposure sites, visit the Government website at the link below:

https://www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/exposure-sites

We are unable to predict what may happen in the short or long term, but we know that things can change very quickly. Therefore staff, families and students must be ready for whatever decision is made.

Essential workers and onsite learners

If parents/carers meet the criteria of an essential worker, then they must complete the on-site supervision form, in the link below, by 5:00pm Friday 6 August.

On-site Learner Application Form

Please contact the College if you have any concerns for your child.

Thank you for your support as we navigate through another period of change.

Jamie Madigan Principal