



MARIST COLLEGE
EMERALD

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

6 May 2020

Ref: Update to Term 2 Arrangements

Dear Parents and Carers,

As you may already be aware, on Monday the Premier announced that students in Year 11 and Year 12 will be able return to school from **Monday 11 May 2020**.

For students in Years 7 – 10, the current Online Learning @ Marist Program will remain in place with only children of essential workers and vulnerable children attending school for supervision of learning. If low COVID-19 transmission rates continue, students in these remaining year levels will be able to return to school from **Monday 25 May 2020**. Confirmation of this step will be made by 15 May 2020.

It is recognised that some Year 11 and 12 parents/carers may choose to keep their child at home due to concerns about COVID-19 and this decision is respected. However, if students are not at school, they will be marked absent. I ask that in this case, that you please notify the school in accordance with usual absentee procedures.

As normal face-to-face classes resume in these year levels, it is important to note that it will no longer be possible for the classroom teacher to provide an alternative learning from home program for these students.

Frequently Asked Questions are available to assist you to understand how Marist will be implementing the transition back to school-based learning. This includes hygiene practices, such as effective hand hygiene, cough and sneeze etiquette, restricting visitors to the school and reminding you to notify our school if your child will not be in attendance.

I ask parents and carers to pay particular attention to the requirement for adults to maintain physical distancing of 1.5m at all times if you need to be on school grounds.

It is essential that you keep your child home from school if they are unwell. In accordance with [Queensland Health Directions](#), **parents or carers of any child showing signs of illness will be asked to collect them from the College immediately.**

I will continue to update you as soon as any new information becomes available.



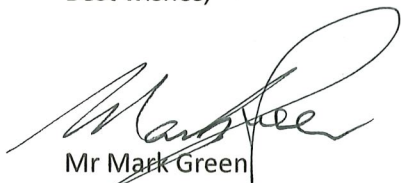
Catholic Education
Diocese of Rockhampton

office@mcerok.catholic.edu.au | www.maristcollegeemerald.com.au
Jeppesen Drive | PO Box 81, Emerald Q 4720
Telephone: 07 4994 9100

Our staff have greatly appreciated all the positive feedback that has been provided to them over the last few weeks.

My sincere thanks goes to all parents and carers for the support and understanding that has been shown during these challenging times. Let us continue to hold in our prayers all whose lives and livelihoods have been impacted by COVID-19 in any way.

Best wishes,



Mr Mark Green
Principal