

St Michael's Parish School

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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

As you are all aware, there is rapidly changing information in relation to the Coronavirus and the directions that we need to follow as a school.

Our current directions from Catholic Education Melbourne is that any child who is returning from mainland China or from Iran needs to be isolated at home and not attend school for 14 days after they were last in either of these countries. If a student or staff member has been in close contact with someone who has been diagnosed with Coronavirus or COVID-19, as a school we must contact Catholic Education Melbourne and follow their protocols. Unwell staff and students need to seek medical assistance and stay at home until their symptoms have resolved.

As a school, we have placed hand sanitiser in classrooms and all students will be asked to use this before eating and at other times throughout the day. All students will be reminded about personal hygiene and the need to cover our mouths and noses when we cough and sneeze and to continually wash our hands. We will also ensure that our tables are continued to be wiped each day with appropriate cleaners.

Over the term holidays, we are aware that some of our families may be travelling. To support all members of our school community, we ask that you consult the Smartraveller website for updated information during your holiday and when you return that you self isolate if you have travelled to a country that has an isolation period.

As I receive further updates from Catholic Education Melbourne, I will continue to update our community.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact me.

Kind regards,

Meredith Bennett
Principal