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RE: COVID 19 UPDATE 9

Dear College Families

We welcome the Premier's announcement last week signalling the return to face to face teaching for all year levels from Monday, 25 May. We have all learned a great deal over the past five weeks of Online Learning and there is much that we can carry with us as we move into this next chapter of our learning journey. If you have had the opportunity to watch the [interview](#) with some of our staff on their experiences you will note that they have very much missed their regular interactions with the students.

Social Distancing

- Children who are unwell or exhibiting cold and flu symptoms, should remain at home. If they are exhibiting symptoms at school, you will be required to come and collect them.
- Social distancing measures, where practical, will still be in place. We aim to minimise any spread of disease should there ever be a case on campus.
- Where possible, students will stay with their peers in their year levels. This means restricted / rostered access to some College facilities.
- Large gatherings of students (such as assemblies) will not be permitted for the foreseeable future.
- Parents are asked to use Kiss and Go where ever possible and minimise their time on campus. Parents are also asked to remain outside of learning spaces.
- Parents are asked not to gather around playgrounds or classrooms and Junior School Playgrounds will remain out of bounds after school.
- We will continue our increased level of cleaning of contact surfaces.
- Many extra-curricular activities will not be running; however, some will run with changes and you will be notified about these through the College app. If you have not been notified about your child's extra-curricular activity, please assume that it is not running at this stage.

Immuno-compromised Students

- If your child is immune-compromised and you are concerned about their return to face to face lessons, please contact Mr David Brown (Junior School) or your child's Year Level Coordinator (Middle and Senior School) so that we can discuss how we can support your child.

Presentation

- After an extended period off campus, students are asked to ensure that they are wearing the correct uniform from next week and that their presentation (including hair, nails etc) is in line with our usual expectations.
- I refer you to the 'Update on Winter Uniform' notice on the College app for clarification on appropriate use of jumpers and track suit tops.
- Formal uniform for Years 7 – 12 students is now required on Wednesdays.



Do You Need Support?

We understand that different families are under different stresses at the moment and that this has a very real impact on some children. If you are worried about your child's well-being, please contact their classroom teacher (Junior School) or Year Level Coordinator (Middle and Senior School) so that we can be aware and discuss what support we can offer at school.

If your family is under significant financial stress due to the restrictions put in place by the government, please contact our team at receivables@fcac.qld.edu.au. We are committed to supporting FCAC families through the quarantine period and any adverse economic conditions in the coming years. There is no need for any FCAC family to be anxious about having to disrupt their child's education due to the COVID 19 pandemic.

Staff Only Days

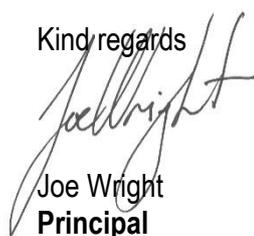
- **Thursday, 21 May** is normally a Staff Only Day. The College (P-12) will be closed on this day. Staff have given up a day of their holidays earlier in the year to conduct professional development and have been given this time in lieu. Koala Kindy and Roos Care will be open. Bookings essential for Roos Care.
- **Friday, 22 May** is the scheduled Show Holiday. Even though there is no Show this year, the whole College campus will be closed – including Koala Kindy and Roos Care.

Business Directory

One of the most beneficial actions we can take post-quarantine is to spend money locally. We will be starting a campaign to encourage our FCAC community to support local businesses owned by FCAC families. If your business is not registered on our current [Business Directory](#), please contact business@fcac.qld.edu.au and we will update you on how we may be able to promote awareness of your business in the coming months.

In our [message to families](#) at the start of the term, Father Jeff talked about the one thing that was missing from our campus – 'the heartbeat'. The heartbeat of FCAC is the students, the staff and the parents and the grandparents. On Monday, a big part of that 'heartbeat' will be restored with our students returning and we are very much looking forward to it.

Kind regards



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Principal