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RE: COVID 19 UPDATE 10

Dear College Families

We continue to monitor the situation around COVID 19 and the impacts it has on education, work and our daily lives. The situation in Queensland is quite promising and, as a State, we should be very proud of the way we've worked together and sacrificed to be in the situation we find ourselves in today. Events around the country and the world are a daily reminder that we should never take this position for granted. I write to assure you that at FCAC we will continue to remain vigilant and will be ready to respond should our situation ever change.

Changes for Term 3

- **Assemblies** will go ahead although the number of adults attending will be restricted to parents of awardees to ensure that we remain under the 100 adult limit. The most notable event coming up is the Celebration of Effort / Leaders Induction Assembly in Week 3 and we will be providing more information around this to those families involved.
- **Excursions and Camps** planned for Term 3 and Term 4 will go ahead providing that the locations and businesses involved have an approved COVID Safe Plan. Prep to Year 3 camps will be modified so that students are not staying overnight for this year.
- It is expected that **Year 12 Formal** will go ahead although we are looking to make some changes to the canapés part of the evening which involves parents so that we do not exceed 100 adults at the venue at any one time.
- **Fraser Flames** activities have been phasing back in with many sports resuming competition within the next week. The Coordinator of each sport will communicate these details to families involved so please ensure you have subscribed to notifications for your sport on the College app.
- **Extra-curricular activities**, including Music and Tutoring, will be recommencing and details will be provided through the College app. There are specific guidelines that we will be following for instrumental music, ensembles and choirs.
- At this stage, we are limiting **volunteers** to just people who are not working directly with students or in close proximity of other staff. We will continue to review this and notify staff and families when parent helpers and other volunteers can be back in our classrooms.
- **Meetings**, such as P&F and staff meetings, will resume on site as long as physical distancing can be maintained. We will provide online options where possible.
- We will continue to limit access to some College facilities, such as the library, to reduce the incidence of multiple year levels mixing for longer periods of time. Increased cleaning of contact surfaces will remain in effect.

Important points that will be continuing in Term 3

- Parents are asked to use Kiss and Go wherever 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. Junior School playgrounds will remain out of bounds after school.
- Students who are unwell or displaying cold or flu symptoms should stay at home. Students who become unwell at school will be sent home. Students who are unwell do not need to do schoolwork at home and will not be provided with work online. Students will be able to catch up on missed work when they return. If an unwell student needs to contact a teacher, the teacher will respond within 24 hours.

As the situation continues to improve for the better, we will reduce restrictions in line with directives from the Government.

Do You Need Support?

If your family is under significant financial stress due to the government's response to COVID 19, please contact our team at receivables@fcac.qld.edu.au. We understand that some stimulus measures are being wound back in September and if this impacts your family for 2020 or 2021, please do not hesitate to get in contact.

Business Directory

Please get out and support local businesses, particularly those owned by FCAC families. You can see a list of these businesses on the College app under the 'Business Directory' option. We also have a Business Directory group on our Facebook page that anyone can join or post to. We would encourage you to send a shout out to your favourite FCAC family business by posting on this page. This initiative will continue to develop over the coming months and years.

Community Survey

Times of change can often be an opportunity to receive feedback, reflect and plan for the future. In Term 3, we will be undertaking a comprehensive whole of school review with our community. The feedback we receive from parents, students and staff will guide the priorities of our new Strategic Plan, which will be finalised this year. More details about this review will be made available in the coming weeks.

Communications

We are aiming to streamline our communications with our families. In future, we will only send emails if the communication is specifically for your family. Group messages will be posted via the College app. Please check your subscriptions to ensure you are subscribed to the relevant activities and year levels.

While there has been much that has caused us anxiety this year, we also have much to be thankful for. Households, children and teachers found themselves under great pressure at various points in the year. Our community's response to this situation was to come together and support each other and this highlighted the many things we all have in common. Our connections with others are stronger for the experience and that is a great foundation to build on as we go through this next phase.

Kind regards



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