

31 July 2020

Dear Parents/Carers

We are now at the end of Week 3 and it's been a great start to Semester 2 so far.

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Our Athletics Carnival on Wednesday was a great success. Thank you for supporting the College in ensuring that we follow the Queensland Health guidelines in relation to parent spectators. We appreciate that this was hard for many of you not to come and support your children on the day, however it was a fantastic day and the students did a great job in competing as well as showing their House spirit.

The Athletics Carnival Awards Presentation will occur for Year 4 - 12 students on Monday 3 August at 8:20am however, unfortunately, this event will be closed to parents. We invite you to still be part of this event by watching along via our [YouTube Live channel](#).

COVID-19 UPDATE

TRAVEL

It is timely to remind all parents that if any member of the family/residence travels to Victoria, NSW or [areas on alert in Queensland](#), please ensure that you notify us before travelling so that we can discuss how we can support your family and ensure the safety of our College community.

Premier Anastacia Palaszczuk has advised Queenslanders not to travel to New South Wales, and announced that returning Queensland residents will be required to quarantine in government provided accommodation at their own expense.

**“Now is not the time to leave Queensland — now is the time to stay in Queensland.”
- Premier Anastacia Palaszczuk**

The Queensland Government has published a [list of COVID-19 hotspots](#) which is updated regularly. Community transmission has now also been [confirmed](#) in Brisbane.

We reiterate the [current guidelines](#), that any person visiting a COVID-19 hotspot will be required by the Queensland Government to quarantine for 14 days and receive a negative COVID-19 test before being released.

SICKNESS

The current policy is that any student who is sick must stay at home.

- If your child develops flu-like symptoms, we ask that they immediately have a COVID-19 test, isolate at home while awaiting the results, and do not return to school until they have received a negative result and have no flu-like symptoms.
- Please advise the Principal's Office immediately if a member of your household has had a COVID-19 test even if you are still waiting for results. Student medical certificates for absences and test results should be sent to ea@calcc.qld.edu.au or 0490 763 232.

These guidelines will ensure that our students are not unnecessarily absent from school due to colds and flu being transmitted throughout the College. It will also minimise the risk of COVID-19 to our community and a subsequent school shutdown.

We thank you for your patience and support in this matter. We understand that this is an unusual time but we are doing our best to ensure the safety of our staff, students and parents.

PICK UP & DROP OFF

We continue to reiterate that all parents should stay in their cars and not congregate in any way on the property.

There are schools on the Sunshine Coast who have totally banned all parents from campus. We have not done this, as our aim is to make drop off and pick up as convenient as possible, however it does need the support of parents.

Please stay in your car as much as possible and, if you are required to leave your car, please use social distancing and do not congregate with other parents for any reason.

Again, we thank you for your support in this matter, as we ensure that Queensland Health guidelines are followed and our community remains safe.

Just a reminder also that parents are not allowed in any of our buildings except for the Uniform Shop and Reception.

BASKETBALL

It has been exciting to see our basketball program continue to flourish this year. At the start of the new season, we have double the number of students who both train and compete in our under 12s, 14s and 16s basketball squads compared to last year. This is a great result. We are continuing to plan to ensure that this program grows and develops over the coming years.

Kind regards

Vince Wakefield

Principal