



# St Mary MacKillop College

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

This is just a quick update and welcome back to Term 2, whether your child is working from home or on campus. I am delighted to report that just about all the Year 11 and 12 students have returned to the College and they are responding to the current situation with such maturity and respect towards each other and their teachers, it is a reminder that they are not children, but young adults whom you can be very proud of, as we are.

For the majority of our students, Remote Learning continues and our attendance rates are outstanding, for example in years 7 – 10 there is only one or two students in each class that are not logging on, which is a higher rate of attendance than normal at this time of year due to illness or other reasons. Staff in the Primary Campus are conducting their remote lessons from their classroom and the conversations that are happening between home and school are just wonderful. Well done to you all for your hard work.

Catholic Education WA (CEWA) have brought forward their review of its current position to Monday 11 May, when they will make a decision regarding a timeline for a return to school.

In the meantime additional staff have been employed to regularly clean rooms, door handles and play equipment etc throughout the day. Hand Sanitizer is in every room and the students have been using it before entering. Our Canteen staff are ensuring that they continue their strict hygiene standards and are also undertaking the Hospitality & Tourism COVID-19 Hygiene training.

As always, I love to hear from you and thank you for your wonderful support and appreciative emails. Should Remote Learning start to become unmanageable in your household or you need to discuss adjusting your financial arrangements with the College, please let us know.

I share your hope to see our College return to the vibrant and engaging environments which have always been a big part of our community here at St Mary MacKillop College, where teachers can welcome their students on a daily basis and teaching can be delivered to all children within the rich learning environments of our classrooms.

Regards

Frank Norton  
Principal