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Dear Emmaus families,

Re: COVID-19 (coronavirus) update #12

We appreciate that the COVID-19 situation for all of us has changed significantly in the last 24 hours. I will send further information over the coming days regarding possible home learning. Naturally, as we all know with COVID-19, this is an evolving situation and plans may need to be changed following further Government announcements. Here is the information as it stands, Monday afternoon.

Pupil Free Week 11

Further to update #10, I write to provide clarity around the upcoming **student free days**, as follows:

Week 11 -Monday 6 April- Thursday 9 April, is classified as **pupil free** (by State Government and Catholic Education SA). This time has been set aside for staff to prepare for online/remote learning (for the short and longer term). There is no expectation for students to do home learning on these days.

Care and Supervision during week 11

Advice given to us, has changed since I last updated families about this. Instead of Vacation Care being extended to include week 11, we are now offering Before School Care (BSC) and After School Care (ASC) and supervision and care for the few parents/caregivers who need to work and have **no alternative care arrangements**. Supervision and care will be provided in these extreme cases however, we encourage families to keep their child/ren home where possible to assist with safe social distancing practices.

If you have no alternative care arrangements and need to have your child/ren supervised at school, please deliver students directly to the hall, after 8:30am (unless using BSC). Students should bring their lunch, recess and drink bottle and need to be collected by 3:30pm. Students requiring care outside of these hours, must be booked into BSC or ASC.

To help us organise the appropriate supervision, please register your child's/children's name/s at the following link:

[Fill | Emmaus Catholic School: Student Free Days](#)

Fee Remission

You are all aware that we are living in unprecedented times. Many parents and caregivers in our community have lost employment and now face significant financial stress. We want to assure you:

The ongoing enrolment of every student at Emmaus is of utmost importance. All families will be supported as we work through this period of uncertainty, together.

If your family has lost significant income due to COVID-19, you will be eligible for fee remission. You are invited to complete the form below if you find yourselves in this position. Vickie Richardson will then be in touch with families to apply remission.

Emmaus School | 2020 School Fees COVID-19 Remission Application

Happy News

Finally, some good news to share. I am very pleased to announce the birth of William Berkley Dymmott. William is a baby brother to Baylee in 5/6 and Ethan now at Cardijn. Congratulations to Luke and Lauren, we can't wait to meet baby William.

Regular updates are being provided on the Catholic Education SA website – www.cesa.catholic.edu.au/alerts



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