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COVID Update #24

Dear Parents and Caregivers

We have all had to grapple with the news of the state-wide lockdown and I pray that you and your family are safe and well.

I want to thank all of our students and school families for the way you transitioned from school to home yesterday.

South Australia's six-day state-wide lockdown will continue until midnight Tuesday 24 November. As the Premier has stated, at this point we do not know what restrictions will look like beyond that date.

At this time, your child's wellbeing is our priority. Our teachers and school leaders are here to support you and your child.

As previously advised today and tomorrow – 19 and 20 November 2020 – the school will be closed except for care of the children of essential workers.

From Monday 23 November we will provide online learning. We will keep you informed if there are any government changes that impact on how our school operates next week.

The continuity of learning for all of our students is of the utmost importance. Children and young people are used to the structure of school and it is important that they have as much routine and certainty as possible in their day. Therefore, we will look to providing an online environment that replicates as best a possible their normal school day. Please note though, that there will be differences in routine for children and young people at various year levels. All students, irrespective of age, need to have regular breaks from a screen and from being seated for long periods of time.

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While staff and students may be undertaking work out of working hours, online interaction will only occur during the usual parameters of our school operating hours. You can learn more about [developing an online routine](#) at the learning online website.

Please note the following:

- If you are intending to send your child to school, please reply to info@emmaus.catholic.edu.au , with the days and hours on those days, up until the end of 24th November.
- From Monday 23 November students will resume formal learning through the school's online platform and arrangements are described here.

Receptions and 1/2s

The Reception and Year 1/2 Teachers will use Seesaw as the communication platform. They will start off each day with a morning greeting from the teacher for the children to respond to, indicating they are ready for learning. A daily plan will be sent home each morning, indicating the learning for that day. There will be three main learning activities in areas including spelling, writing, maths as well as Advent, Art & HASS.

Year 3/4s

Check in with your teacher by viewing the class Seesaw daily message. Either 'heart' or comment on the video to show your teacher you are online. This will be the way we mark our roll. There will be Spelling, Writing and Maths each day as well as some activities that students may choose from. There will be a class check in [at 11:40 12:00](#) on Microsoft Teams where Students will be able to see their classmates and ask any questions of their teacher. Students will also be encouraged to regularly upload their work to SeeSaw so that their teachers may provide feedback and guide them through their remote learning journey.

Year 5/6s

In Middle School, Microsoft Teams will be our main form of communication and learning. Students have already taken home a hard copy of learning booklets so they can continue their great term 4 learning. Students will also share their learning through SeeSaw and Teams. We look forward to reintroducing our daily Morning Meetings on Teams. More details will be emailed by Monday.

Those children and young people of essential workers attending school will also be undertaking online learning, supported and supervised by school staff. Teachers are not expected to provide different learning experiences for students who physically attend school.

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I understand that this may be a difficult time for you and your family and I wish to reassure you that the teachers of the school will do their utmost to support your child as we navigate the next weeks.

You can contact your child's teacher(s) via email, at any time.

If you have a general enquiry you can also contact the school via info@emmaus.catholic.edu.au or 8322 7211.

Catholic Education SA is also providing regular updates at www.cesa.catholic.edu.au/news/alerts.

Regards,

Catherine Gurr

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Principal
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