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Dear Rostrevor families

I understand that this is a difficult time as we face the challenges of COVID-19 in South Australia. I thank you for your support in our response to the latest COVID-19 outbreak. I hope you are managing throughout this lockdown, and I assure you of the College's continued support in these challenging times.

I wish to congratulate all of our boys for engaging with a very different way of learning and interacting with teachers and peers, and thank you as parents for your support. We will be sending a quick survey out next week for your feedback.

As the current situation has evolved over the week, it is apparent that there are close links to our community. With such a large and mobile population, this is not surprising. While everyone in SA is in lockdown at present, we also have some families who are isolating at home and they are in our thoughts and prayers. Please rest assured that if we receive advice of any positive exposure from members of the staff or student body, we will enact our COVID-19 Response Plan and notify you so that we do our part in containing the spread of COVID-19.

The College works with and takes advice on these matters from SA Health and the Catholic Education SA, who take advice from the SA Government and Chief Health Officer. We remind our families to continue to monitor the official list of exposure sites, follow SA Health directions and proactively get tested if you have symptoms - <https://www.sahealth.sa.gov.au>.

Clear and concise communication is key in such circumstances, particularly when there is so much information available from different media outlets and websites. We have created a dedicated COVID-19 webpage, now available from the College website with all relevant information regarding online learning, current and past COVID-19 Rostrevor updates, together with a range of resources for families. We hope that you will find this useful. [COVID-19 \(rostrevor.sa.edu.au\)](https://www.rostrevor.sa.edu.au/covid-19)

At this stage, the State-wide Lockdown will continue until Tuesday 27 July. During this time, we will continue with online learning, and remain open for children of essential workers or vulnerable children. If you need to access this supervised College service, please register via this link: [Essential Worker Registration](#). The drop off point for all registered students will be the Middle/Senior Years entrance on Glen Stuart Road. Please note that the canteen will be closed. As further information comes to hand, we will certainly keep you updated. In the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or concerns.



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As parents and educators, we know the pandemic has raised issues of mental health, wellbeing and connectedness for all people, especially the young. With this in mind, I provide a gentle reminder of the resources available from the College and the community to support our students and families.

Please remember:

- Our Pastoral Care & JY Class Teachers, Heads of House and Wellbeing Leaders are here to support your sons and available to speak with you if you have any concerns or questions.
- Members of our College Counselling team are available via email – chat@rostrevor.sa.edu.au. Students have access to this service but please feel free to email one of our counsellors if you have any specific concerns about your son.
- There are many resources to support our families and students during the lockdown. These resources and relevant information can be accessed directly now from the College website and also via SEQTA Learn (for students) and Engage (for parents).

When we return to onsite learning, we will endeavour to reschedule College events where we can, and we will continue to communicate with families how these events may proceed in line with all relevant COVID-Safe protocols.

I wish everyone good health during this time and pray that God continues to watch over all of us. We hope that we are able to get back to some kind of normality in the near future and look forward to having our students back on campus and in our classrooms.

Yours sincerely

Frank Ranaldo
Principal