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Dear Parents and Caregivers

Thank you for your support and understanding over the past week, particularly in relation to the mask-wearing requirement in schools, as well as the impact of restrictions on events and activities at the College, which remain in effect.

It was pleasing to hear of the easing of restrictions announced by the Premier on Monday. The impact for schools, including Rostrevor College, are listed below.

From Thursday 5 August, the following activities can resume:

- Whole school assemblies, Chapel and House gatherings;
- All Co-curricular activities within the school including interschool sport training, trials and competitions (please visit the College website for this week's Co-curricular fixture);
- Up to 1000 people will be allowed to watch **outdoor** matches providing:
 - Spectators adhere to the one person per two sq metres requirement;
 - Masks are worn;
 - For indoor sport locations (eg Purton Hall), the initial advice is for one spectator per player, but this is yet to be confirmed.
- Incursions, excursions, and intrastate camps;
- Events held at offsite venues with approved COVID-19 safe or COVID-19 management plans;
- Water safety/swimming/aquatic lessons;
- Events held within the College grounds (including performances, concerts and assemblies) providing:
 - Density requirements and physical distancing requirements are met by all attending adults. Note that when adults are present, distancing and density requirements apply to students as well and this will continue to limit parent attendance at some school events;
 - Masks are worn by adults and students in secondary school who are not performing;
 - All visitors to the College must complete a COVID-19 check in.

The following measures **remain in place until further notice:**

- All interstate camps and travel are postponed;
- All staff and students in secondary schools must continue to wear masks;
- We will continue to limit the number of parents on site, and when on site parents must wear a face mask and practice physical distancing;
- All adults (including staff) must complete a COVID-19 check in each time they enter the site.

Masks

All indications suggest that mask wearing will be a feature of normal community and workplace/school life for the time being. There is no expectation that mask wearing restrictions will be lifted anytime soon. While, in the short term, we have been supplying disposable masks for students, we believe that reusable masks that are washed regularly are a more effective, hygienic and environmentally friendly option. Consequently, we ask that parents please supply a reusable mask for their son(s). The College will retain a single-use supply in situations where a student has forgotten/lost his mask.

Boarding

Michael Vickery, Director – Boarding will communicate any changes to Boarding House routines and activities as a result of the recent changes to restrictions.

Please note that due to the changing nature of the pandemic, as we have witnessed in other states, events, camps and excursions may be cancelled or postponed with minimal notice.

Please continue to refer to the following resources for the latest information:

Rostrevor COVID-19 Updates & Resources <https://www.rostrevor.sa.edu.au/covid-19.html>

SA Government Website <http://www.covid-19.sa.gov.au/>

SA Health Website <https://www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/>

Catholic Education SA Updates www.cesa.catholic.edu.au/alerts

As the Government makes the necessary decisions to further ease restrictions, we will continue to update you with the impact that these will have at the College.

I wish everyone good health during this time and pray that God continues to watch over all of us.

Yours sincerely



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Principal