



Mary MacKillop College

South Gippsland

Incorporating the Parishes of Foster, Wonthaggi, Cowes, Korumburra and Leongatha

8 April 2020

Remote Schooling arrangements from the start of Term 2

Dear Parents, Guardians and Carers

As you will be aware, the Victorian State Government has announced that all Victorian Schools will be implementing the Remote Schooling program effective 15 April 2020. This means that from the start of Term 2, most students will be learning from home.

This decision has been made to increase physical distancing across the population and prevent the transmission of coronavirus (COVID-19). **Therefore, all students who can learn from home must learn from home.**

All students at Mary MacKillop College will commence Remote Schooling on Wednesday 15 April 2020 at home except for:

- children of parents who cannot work from home;
- children who are not able to be supervised at home and no other arrangements can be made; and
- vulnerable children.

Remote Schooling tasks have been assigned to students by their teachers. Information about Remote Schooling and learning materials have been distributed to our parents/guardians in preparation for the Remote Schooling program. Additional learning materials will be provided throughout Term 2.

I wish to reassure you that the safety and wellbeing of our school community will remain our highest priority with physical distancing provisions being made for the safety of students and staff.

Please note that if you choose to send your child to school, your child will be supervised whilst undertaking the Remote Schooling program which has been designed by our school. As such, your child will be undertaking the same program as those children learning at home.

In addition, I wish to advise you that your child's teacher will not necessarily be supervising your child on-site, but will continue to support your child through the Remote Schooling program as previously advised to you.

If you need to send your children to school, please register your intention to send your child/children to Mary MacKillop College on the attached form or complete this survey <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/R23PRJH>. This will enable us to ensure that we have sufficient staff on duty to supervise students in attendance.

I appreciate that this is a very challenging time for all in our community and your cooperation with our Remote Schooling program is very much appreciated. We understand that there will be parents who will need to send their child(ren) to school. We wish you to know that in those circumstances, we are here to support you and your child(ren).

School staff will be available throughout the Remote Schooling program and you are asked to make contact directly with your child's teacher if there are any concerns about your child's wellbeing or learning program. If you do need help or additional support, please contact one of the following:

Junior School

Director Junior School - Mr Chris Spencer cspencer@mmcrc.catholic.edu.au

Wellbeing Coordinator Year 7 and 8 - Ms Georgia Townley gtownley@mmcrc.catholic.edu.au

Middle School

Director Middle School - Mr Gerard Gordon ggordon@mmcrc.catholic.edu.au

Wellbeing Coordinator Year 9 and 10 - Mrs Kate Dwyer kdwyer@mmcrc.catholic.edu.au

Senior School

Director Senior School - Mrs Bron Croatto bkalos@mmcrc.catholic.edu.au

Wellbeing Coordinator Year 11 and 12 - Mr Cade Maskell cmaskell@mmcrc.catholic.edu.au

During this difficult time, we must all take care to support one another. Our thoughts and prayers are with those who may be unwell, and those who are working to keep our community safe.

If you require further information, please contact me kodwyer@mmcrc.catholic.edu.au.

Yours sincerely,

Kieran O'Dwyer
A/Principal



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ON-SITE SCHOOL INTENTIONS FORM

Week effective Wednesday 15th April 2020 to Friday 24th April 2020 (inclusive)

Family Name		First Name	
Daytime Phone No.		Email Address	

Reason for attending on-site schooling* (please provide a brief explanation)	
My child cannot work from home	<input type="checkbox"/>
I am not able to supervise my child at home and no other arrangements can be made	<input type="checkbox"/>
My child has been identified a vulnerable child:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other (please describe)	<input type="checkbox"/>

I intend to send my child to school on the following days (please indicate morning and/or afternoon schooling):

Student Name	Wednesday 15 April 2020		Thursday 16 April 2020		Friday 17 April 2020		Monday 20 April 2020		Tuesday 21 April 2020		Wednesday 22 April 2020		Thursday 23 April 2020		Friday 24 April 2020	
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Signature _____

Date _____

Please return this form to Carly Kitchingman via email ckitchingman@mmrc.catholic.edu.au **by 9am Monday 14th April 2020.**