



## RED BEND CATHOLIC COLLEGE

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Dear Parents and Carers

I hope that you are well and that you and your family have enjoyed the school holiday period.

I write to you given the current risk of COVID-19 in Victoria, and concerns about people returning from Victoria potentially introducing COVID-19 in NSW and our local community. We have been advised that any students who have been to Victoria recently must follow the below isolation instructions.

- Students that have been in Victoria in the 14 days prior to commencement of school this term should be excluded until 14 days have elapsed since they have left Victoria.
- Please note that depending on the date of their arrival in NSW they will also be subject to public health orders that pertained to parts of Melbourne initially and if they arrived in NSW from any part of Victoria from 8 July they must self-isolate for 14 days from their arrival in NSW.

Details of the current advice for people who have recently visited Victoria can be found on the [NSW Health border restrictions website](#).

If your child or children are boarding students who have visited Victoria they must also abide by the following.

- If the student is a boarder, they must undergo a COVID-19 PCR test on or after day 10 of isolation and obtain a negative COVID-19 swab result before being permitted to leave isolation after 14 days to enter the boarding school.
- If they return to Victoria for any reason, including weekend visits, they must commence the 14-day self-isolation period again on return to NSW.

If your child or children have visited Victoria in this period, please inform the following:

- If they are a boarding student, can you please advise Steve Hooper, the Director of Boarding and follow the above instructions.
- If they are a Day student, can you please advise James Metzeling, the Deputy Principal and follow the above instructions.

Students who are unable to return to school due to the border closures or self-isolation will be supported to learn remotely.

We continue to abide by the directions of Health and Education authorities and apply guidelines to minimise risk to COVID-19. Therefore, we all must remain vigilant to avoid any possible outbreak in our College community and do all that we can for the health and wellbeing of all members of our community. I also repeat the message that if your child or children are unwell, they should not attend or visit the school.

Classes commence for term 3 on Tuesday 21 July with boarders returning on Monday 20 July. We look forward to welcoming the students back on these days.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S Dwyer', written in a cursive style.

Kind regards  
Mr Stephen Dwyer  
Principal