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Dear parents and students

As we reach the end of Term 1, our normal practice is to set a date for Parent-Teacher Interviews. At this stage we would be reluctant to do this given the current social distancing measures in place. So early in Term 2 when we have greater understanding of the government’s response to the coronavirus we will share a plan for how to go ahead with this. This may involve phone or video links where possible.

At the moment we are planning for a range of possibilities for next term. This may involve remote learning. For some families they may not want any contact from school during this time. If that is the case, please inform us so we can follow your wishes. If this is your decision you will need to enrol your child in home schooling through the VRQA.

We understand that we are experiencing a very unique time. Our senior students can be confident that we are doing everything possible to look after them and to ensure that they will have the same support for the year, even if it has to be delivered in a very different manner.

The Leadership group have worked to put in place the foundations to allow us to be flexible in our response to what the start of Term 2 may look like. The reality is we are all in this together and we will be doing everything possible to ensure the positive support and learning outcomes for each student.

Once we have clarification about what Term 2 looks like we be informing parents and students. The manner in which we do this will be dependent on the circumstances we find ourselves in. If we do go down a path of learning involving technology we may be using platforms such as Class Dojo and Office 365. This is a web-based learning resource that has been made available free to all students. Attached is your child’s login details for o365, which you may be asked to activate in Term 2.

Please stay well, be kind to one another, and take the chance to read a few more books and learn something new each day.

Warm regards

Robert Boucher

Principal