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Dear Parents and Carers

**COMMUNICATION RE: COVID-19 UPDATE**

This is an update on our current situation in relation to a parent testing positive for COVID-19 and the wearing of masks.

Today a **parent** of a Loreto student was confirmed as a positive case of COVID-19. The family is undergoing testing and the student will not be attending school for the next two weeks. The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) have advised us that as this is a parent (not a student), Loreto College should continue with protocols put in place for cleaning and hygiene practices and remain open. As an extra precaution we have made a decision to ask all students and staff to wear masks until further notice. We understand that it is difficult to source masks so are seeking your assistance to provide a mask for your daughter as soon as possible. The College has some single use disposable masks but with two masks required per day it is not possible to provide masks for all students. There are many guides on how to make your own and we have seen some lovely patterns and designs being worn this week.

In the case of any student testing positive for COVID-19, protocols have been established for the College to shut down. Parents will be notified via SMS and also email of a closure. Students will be able to travel home or stay safely at school until the end of day.

I will send an update when further information comes to hand.

Yours sincerely

Michelle Brodrick  
Principal