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**Dear Parents and Carers** 

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The Victorian Government has announced that additional COVIDSafe measures will be in place from 6pm on Tuesday 25 May, in metropolitan Melbourne.

Changes to the <u>COVIDSafe settings</u> include new limits to public and private gatherings and changes to mask wearing in some settings.

Schools will remain open with the current restrictions that are in place. There are no changes to existing density rules.

## As our school is located in Regional Victoria:

- Individuals aged 12 years and over (inclusive of staff, students, and visitors) must always carry a face mask unless a lawful exception applies.
- Face masks are mandatory for people aged 12 years and older on public transport and when in taxis or ride share vehicles or touring vehicles. This includes travelling to and from school on public transport.

Visitors and parents continue to be welcome at our school but must also observe face mask requirements.

These restrictions travel with secondary students who live in metropolitan Melbourne if they attend a school in regional Victoria. Secondary students who live in regional Victoria but attend a school in metropolitan Melbourne also need to comply with mask requirements for metropolitan Melbourne.

School camps and excursions to regional Victoria can continue if face mask requirements are followed, however planned arrangements for visits to metropolitan Melbourne are under review.

These measures are aimed at giving health authorities the best opportunity to stop the spread of the virus in our community.

Thank you for your understanding and support as we continue to implement COVIDSafe practices at our College.

Regards

Yours sincerely

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Michelle Brodrick Principal