



COVID-19 Update 18

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Dear Parents,

I closed my last letter to you with an indication that the future was not so clear. Now, Daniel Andrews' announcement this afternoon has given some guidelines around what the next 6 weeks will look like for metropolitan Melbournians.

After considering the new restrictions that we know about so far, here is how PVCC will be managing the Stage 3 Restrictions for Week 1 of Term 3:

All Year 11 & 12 students as well as any Year 10 students undertaking a VCE subject will return to school on Wednesday July 15th as planned. This will be ongoing until further notice.

Prep to Year 10 - official school holidays are now extended another week until Friday July 17th.

Plenty Kids will also be on holidays for next week.

Essential Service Workers

If you are an essential service worker, we will be offering supervision for your children at the College during school hours from Wednesday July 15th – Friday July 17th. This will only be supervision as there are no official lessons planned for those days. They will not be supervised by their regular teacher; it will simply be a supervision service for these 3 days as school will not have officially begun. Children requiring this supervision will need to arrive at school with enough food and activities to keep them entertained for the day.

As was the case in Term 2, if you believe you qualify as an essential service worker and need to send your child to be supervised at school, you will need to email the College office (office@pvcc.vic.edu.au) to apply to be added to the Onsite Supervision list, and submit the required information.

Buses

Normal buses will not be running. If your child normally travels by bus and is unable to find alternate transport please contact the College office (office@pvcc.vic.edu.au) as soon as possible.

Student Expectations

All students coming onsite from July 15th will be required to practice physical distancing, as implored by the Premier in today's announcement. Our classrooms will be modified and set up in accordance with strict physical distancing measures. Students will also be required to wear full winter uniform, as per their regular timetabled classes.

Year 10 students who attend for VCE subjects will need to be dropped off and collected from the College immediately following their VCE classes.



Beyond July 17th

Further announcements regarding the future of Term 3 for schools will be made as part of the next announcement from the Government. We will be keeping a close eye on developments, and we thank you in advance for your patience and your adaptability as we all seek to stay safe and keep our community safe also.

I understand that many of you will be frustrated by the developments here in our state. I feel your frustration – we thought we were past it, and now suddenly things have changed and we're back here not knowing what the future holds from one day to the next. I want to remind you again that we will get through this, because our God is bigger than a virus and He knows the beginning from the end.

Yours in His service,

John Metcalfe
Principal

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