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To the St Dominic's College Community

I trust you have had a wonderful break and enjoyed time with your family. The students looked refreshed and excited about returning to school.

I would like to thank the staff who have worked with our Year 12 students through the break for their dedication and professionalism, ensuring that this Year 12 cohort is well prepared considering the challenges 2020 has delivered. To our Year 12 students, I am impressed by your hard work and the support you have shown one another throughout the last week weeks, especially during the holidays.

I would like to reaffirm the arrangements for Term 3 which were communicated at the end of Term 2. These will apply from the commencement of Term 3 unless advice from the different agencies change. To ensure the wellbeing of your sons, our health and safety measures will remain in effect:

- As previously communicated, please do not send your son to the College if they are exhibiting cold or flu like symptoms, e.g. runny nose, coughing, sore throat, elevated temperature, etc. Any student who exhibits any sign of illness will be required to be collected by a parent/caregiver and then only return once he has a medical clearance
- we ask parents not to come on site unless they have a scheduled meeting. Entry is only through the Front Office
- we continue to promote COVID-safe practices such as handwashing and keeping hand sanitiser widely available
- enhanced cleaning practices throughout the site carried out daily
- continued restrictions to the canteen remain in place. We encourage all students to place online lunch orders, which can be done through our website by clicking [here](#)
- restrictions to large group gatherings such as assemblies and year group meetings
- students are to continue to avoid large significant gathering areas e.g. around the basketball courts
- social distancing remains in place between students and the College staff

We are aware that the Victoria-NSW border closed over the school holiday period due to the spread of COVID-19 in Victoria and we ask any families who travelled to Victoria in the holidays to familiarise themselves with the most recent public health advice which can be accessed [here](#).

If your family has been in Victoria and you have been directed to self-isolate for 14 days, we ask you do not send your son to school until the isolation period is complete. Similarly, if your son has been directed to self-isolate due to contact with a confirmed case of COVID-19 in NSW over the school holiday period, we request you keep your son at home for the duration of the self-isolation period. If your son is unable to commence Term 3 due to the need to self-isolate, please notify the relevant Pastoral Coordinator, as soon as possible.

Our commitment to MCS AFL, MCS Touch Football and MCS Athletics will recommence in Term 3, however spectators have been forbidden from attending matches or carnivals. This will include the St Dominic's Athletics Carnival scheduled for Wednesday 29th July. Mr Peake, the College Sports Coordinator will communicate the relevant safety measures before the commencement of representative sport and for the SDC Athletics Carnival.

While we continue our planning for all term 3 activities and celebrations such as Year 12 Graduation, Father's Day Mass, Dommies Day, Rivalry week, excursions, camps, etc ... the status of these may change based on the ongoing challenges COVID-19 presents. All decisions will consider the safety, care and wellbeing of our students, staff and parents.

Thank you for your continued support of the College and for your understanding during these challenging times. We will continue to keep you updated with any changes and developments.

I look forward to working with your sons throughout the term and encouraging them to achieve their personal best.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M Ronchetti'. The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Mr Michael Ronchetti
College Principal