

# Community Bulletin: COVIDSafe Update



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Thursday, 4 February 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Late last night, the Victorian Chief Health Officer increased the current level of community COVIDSafe restrictions across the state of Victoria. This action was taken as a result of a Hotel Quarantine worker at the Grand Hyatt Hotel having tested positive to coronavirus (COVID-19).

A number of locations where the infectious person visited during the period 29 January - 2 February have been identified. Anyone who has visited an exposure site during these times must immediately isolate, get a coronavirus (COVID-19) test, and remain isolated for 14 days.

For more details about the locations of these exposure sites, please visit <https://www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/important-alert-about-new-hotel-quarantine-case-covid-19>.

From midnight last night, the following restrictions are in place:

- The limit on the number of people gathering in a household will be reduced from 30 to 15, meaning the household members plus 15 visitors (excluding children under 12 months of age).
- Masks will be mandatory in public indoor spaces. If you have visitors in your home, it is strongly recommended that masks are worn during the visit.
- Masks must be worn in indoor public spaces, this includes the School, apart from when eating or drinking.
- If you are planning to leave your home – take a mask.

As always, should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at [principal@goodsam.catholic.edu.au](mailto:principal@goodsam.catholic.edu.au) or call 9308 6177.

Kind Regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Paul".

PAUL SEDUNARY  
Principal

## COVIDSafe GUIDELINES FOR FAMILIES



The following directions detail the measures that have been put in place to protect the health and wellbeing of all members of our school community.

They reflect the current health advice provided by the Department of Health and Human Services and the Catholic Education Commission of Victoria.

These guidelines will change from time-to-time to ensure they reflect the most current advice provided by Victoria's Chief Health Officer.

### SICK OR UNWELL CHILDREN



**STAY HOME**  
If you are unwell

If your child is ill or is feeling unwell, **they must not attend school.**

Unwell children must remain home and seek medical advice if required.

Any child who presents at school as either sick or unwell, no matter how mild their symptoms, will be sent home.

### VISITING THE SCHOOL OFFICE OR LEARNING VILLAGES

If you need to visit the School for any reason please:



**wear a face mask (must cover nose and mouth)**



**sanitise your hands upon arrival**



**keep your distance**



**Register your attendance**

## MORNING DROP-OFF



The school gates are opened at 8.30am

**Children are not to be at school prior to 8.30am.**

Any child who arrives at school prior to 8.30 will be sent to before school care and the child's family will be charged the full session amount.

Parents and family members are now permitted to enter the school grounds and go to classrooms - ***face masks must be worn at all times.***

***Keep your distance*** – stay 1.5 metres away from people where you can.

## AFTERNOON PICK-UP



The school gates will open at 3.10pm.

Parents and family members are now permitted to enter the school grounds and go to classrooms - ***face masks must be worn at all times.***

***Keep your distance*** – stay 1.5 metres away from people where you can.

Avoid gathering in groups while waiting for your child.

## DRINK BOTTLES

**Every child must have a water bottle** to use throughout the day at school. Due to covid safe health measures, the drinking fountains in the school yard have been turned off.

**Drink bottles need to be clearly marked with your child's name and grade.**

School drink bottles are available for purchase from the School Office. The cost of a bottle is \$5.00.

## WASHING AND SANITISING HANDS



The children will be required to wash/sanitise their hands:

- Upon every entry to the classroom (for example: at the start of the day, after going to the toilet , after delivering or collecting the office tub).
- After each specialist class.
- After each activity where shared equipment (eg: blocks, counters, scissors etc) has been used.

The children will be supervised by a member of staff when they wash/sanitise their hands to ensure it is done correctly.

Hand sanitiser and antibacterial wipes are available in all learning areas and office spaces.

Parents/carers are encouraged to supply their child with a small bottle of hand sanitiser (50ml) for their personal use.

## HAYFEVER, ATHMA AND CORONAVIRUS?



Hay fever or asthma can produce symptoms similar to coronavirus such as a runny nose, cough or shortness of breath, and while good management can help prevent these, it is critical to get tested for coronavirus if these are different to your child's usual symptoms.

DHHS recommended that children with asthma, and particularly those with mild asthma, should see their GP to develop or review their asthma action plan and make sure any associated hay fever is well managed during the pollen season.

If your child suffers from hayfever it may be worth seeking advice from your GP or local pharmacist. Your doctor or pharmacist can give advice on which medication may be best for your child.

Should your child be diagnosed with recurrent hayfever, please provide the school with a medical certificate from your child's doctor.

**IF YOU HAVE SYMPTOMS, ISOLATE AND GET TESTED.**

### TESTING SITES

You and your children can get tested for coronavirus (COVID-19) at either of the following nearby locations:

<b>Roxburgh Park Youth and Recreation Centre</b>	75 Lakeside Drive Roxburgh Park	Open Monday - Sunday 9am-5pm.
<b>Northern Health - Craigieburn Centre</b>	274-304 Craigieburn Road Craigieburn	Open Monday - Sunday 9am-7.30pm



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