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Dear families,

As the COVID-19 situation develops, I would like to share the following information with you.

Our school will remain open unless the following circumstances take place:

- 1. The government shuts down all schools
- 2. We have a confirmed case of COVID-19 amongst staff or students

In the event of the school being closed, we will communicate this via SMS and email.

For now, we are cancelling all major school events for the next 2 weeks in line with the government's ban on gatherings of 500 people or more. Therefore, the following events have been cancelled:

- Community prayer on Monday mornings
- The Multicultural Dinner on Thursday evening
- Community Singing on 24 March
- Mass on 27 March

We are currently seeking advice regarding the grade 5 camp next week and will communicate with the grade 5 families as soon as possible.

In these last 2 weeks of term we are focusing on the students' physical and mental health. We are teaching them how to reduce their risk of contracting germs as well as trying to reduce their anxiety.

As a precautionary measure, we ask all families to keep their children home from school if they are exhibiting any of the following symptoms:

- Fever
- Coughing, sore throat, fatigue
- Shortness of breath, chest pain

More advice is available at <a href="https://www.health.gov.au/">https://www.health.gov.au/</a>

While the school is still open, teachers are working with students at school and unable to provide learning activities (other than the home learning grid) for students who stay home. If the school is closed, we will inform you of learning activities that can be accessed from home.

Yours sincerely,

Julie Corsaletti (Principal)