



# St Bede's College



20 September 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

I hope that the start of this holiday break finds you and the family as well as possible.

Thank you to families for your responses to the latest videos that were sent last week. Your support and encouragement are always valued.

Given the Premier's press conference yesterday (Sunday, 19 September), I write to advise of the following:

## **Return to Onsite Learning**

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| Tuesday, 5 October    | GAT: All Students undertaking VCE Unit 3/4 study are onsite for this assessment  |
| Wednesday, 6 October  | All Year 12 students (VCE and VCAL) return onsite<br>All Year 11 Unit 3/4 students return onsite for their class       |
| Tuesday, 19 October   | Year 12 Valete and Graduation Liturgy  |
| Tuesday, 26 October*  | Intended staggered return of year levels<br>(order and days to be confirmed by Minister for Education later this week) |
| Wednesday, 27 October | VCE Examinations commence  |

(\*To be confirmed - assuming Victorian Government Vaccination levels are achieved by the State)

## **Years 7-11 Student Return Onsite**

We are awaiting the Minister for Education announcements and the next version of the Schools Operation Guide to determine which restrictions we need to operate under once we return onsite. Mr Jones (Deputy Principal of Students) will be contacting all students mid next week in relation to what is required for the GAT attendance and the staggered return to onsite learning for all year levels.

### **Air Quality Monitoring**

The College is one of the first in Melbourne to conduct an air quality audit on all spaces on both campuses. We are about to receive professional advice in regard to air quality and what needs to be in place for student and staff return. Our OH&S Committee continues to work on our behalf on this and other areas.

### **Vaccinations**

The College **strongly encourages all eligible students** to be vaccinated. We are not able to mandate vaccinations.

I will be back in communication with all families this week once the official arrangements around the staggered Years 7-11 return is confirmed.

I wish you and the family every blessing.

*Per Vias Rectas*

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "John Finn". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

**Mr John Finn**

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