



Leighland
CHRISTIAN SCHOOL
Kindergarten to Year 12 education

ULVERSTONE & BURNIE CAMPUS

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Dear Parents and Guardians

CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

As you would be aware, directions around our response to the coronavirus are changing rapidly. We want to ensure that clear, calm, and detailed information is sent to you as a matter of priority through EdSmart, SkoolBag, and, if there needs to be immediate communication, we will send out text messages. We will endeavor to communicate with you every couple of days as the need arises.

The most important message, for the time being, is that school continues to operate as normal with us following the very strict guidelines presented by our governing bodies, including the Department of Education, Independent Schools of Tasmania and the Federal Government.

We want to assure you that the following measures have, and are being taken, in the School:

- We are reviewing our already high cleaning standards across both of the campuses
- We are ensuring that students are following very high hygiene practices within the classrooms and around the School and ensuring that all staff and students are maintaining personal hygiene protocols
- We are distributing the most relevant and up to date information as it is sent through
- We are minimizing contact between classes and larger groups of people

Jeremy Rockcliff MP, Minister for Education and Training, has issued the following statement today: *“As a precautionary measure to reduce exposure, I ask that you adopt social distancing measures, including the cancellation of all assemblies and presentation nights, excursions, travel, fetes, fairs, concerts all sports carnivals, school camps, and parent teacher meetings.”*

To this end, we regret to inform the School community of the following cancellations that will be in place until the END OF TERM ONE:

- Breakfast Club (Burnie)
- Playgroup
- Parent help
- Parent/teacher interviews - however, these can be completed over the phone at a suitable time for both the teacher and parent
- Any sporting events or sports training
- Choir, instrumental lesson, eisteddfod preparations
- Grandparents Day (Ulverstone)
- Easter Service
- Harmony Week School picnic - the in-class events will still go-ahead

Rescheduled events (dependent on booking availability)

- Year 8 Camp (Ulverstone)
- 2021 Year 7 Information Night
- Braveheart Visit (Ulverstone)
- Learn to Swim (Burnie)

Report cards will be generated as usual and sent home to parents with no interruptions to this process or the delivery timeline.

Public transport (including school buses) continues to run, and we encourage parents to provide hand wipes or sanitizer for their children to use when travelling.

If a child is showing flu-like symptoms, then parents will need to keep them home until these symptoms clear. If a child comes to school, and we consider them to be unwell, parents and guardians will be called to collect their child. We need to maintain as healthy as possible environment for our staff and students. A medical certificate will NOT be required for absences up to the end of this term.

We will use our social media platforms to keep you updated, as well as have our very competent office staff available to answer any concerns that you may have. If your child is going to be away, please follow normal school processes and inform the Front Office.

As a Christian school, we feel it is imperative that we pray for, and with one another at all times. We are attaching a flyer entitled "Prayer Event" so that you can pray with us and for those in our community, for a united time of prayer.

Yours faithfully

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