



## **Emmaus Catholic Parish Primary School Sydenham**

Emmaus Catholic Parish Primary School has a commitment to the care, safety and wellbeing of children.

Wednesday 29th July, 2020

Dear Parents/Guardians,

### **COVID-19 SAFETY STATEMENT**

Our School is situated in a high risk area for infection by COVID-19, in which several of our neighbouring Schools have been closed. There are 66 Schools currently closed, of which 9 are in our local area.

We presently have a number of students and staff onsite for supervised learning; the majority of our students are learning at home. To reduce the risk to all staff and students at our School, we will only be offering online learning and remote teaching from Monday 3rd August - Friday 7th August. Onsite learning supervision will not be available from Monday 3rd August - Friday 7th August. This will only affect a number of students and we thank these families for their cooperation. Online teaching and learning will continue in the current way. Remote learning will continue.

This decision was not taken lightly, and was made in consultation with Catholic Education Melbourne, the Principals of our three Catholic Parish Primary Schools, and our Parish Priest.

This decision will be reviewed at the end of next week. Families will be informed on Thursday 6th August about what the decision will be for the following week. The highest priority is to keep all students and staff safe in our community, considering the data that is released daily, so that safe decisions can be made for our community.

Please pray for all who have tested positive for COVID-19 both in our local community and around the world.

Please pray for all who are caring for our sick.

Stay safe and take care,

Jackie Byrne  
Principal