



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

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

Wednesday, July 22, 2020

Dear Families,

We have just had notification from the Principal at CRC Sydenham, that a member of their college community has been confirmed positive to COVID 19. The identified case does not have a link to Emmaus Catholic Primary School. Our prayers are with the college community at this time. May they all feel the support of those around them.

### **Face Masks**

Earlier this week, the Victorian Government announced that those in metropolitan Melbourne and Mitchell Shire must wear a face covering when they leave home from 11.59 pm tonight Wednesday 22 July 2020.

Face coverings will be mandatory for people aged 12 and over. Hopefully, these measures will slow the spread of coronavirus (COVID-19) and help protect our school community.

Students who attend primary school for onsite supervision will not be required to wear a face covering. Students who are aged 12 by Year 6 will not be required to wear face coverings. The Victorian Chief Health Officer has advised that it is not practical to require some primary school students to wear face coverings while others are not required to.

Parents and carers will be required to wear face coverings whenever they leave the house, including for school drop-off and pick-up.

Students or staff who have a medical condition – including problems with their breathing, a serious skin condition on the face, a disability or a mental health condition – are not required to wear a face covering.

The Department of Health and Human Services website has [advice about face coverings](#), including:

- which different types can be used
- how to make your own
- how to safely wear one
- how to safely remove it.

Thank you for your support in limiting the spread of COVID-19 and keeping our school community safe and we'll see you on Thursday morning with your mask on.

Take care,

Jackie