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Dear Parents/Guardians,

I received the following communication from the Chief Health Officer earlier this evening:

"During the course of the recent COVID-19 outbreaks, Bacchus Marsh Grammar has fully cooperated with all Department of Health Directions. As a result of emerging risks today, we are requesting the immediate proactive closure of Bacchus Marsh Grammar – Maddingley Campus. This is to manage the increasing risk of a student inadvertently attending while infectious, given the risk of undetected cases in and around Caroline Springs in particular. The Department of Health appreciates the full support provided by Bacchus Marsh Grammar in this matter, and is grateful for the cooperation of the school community during this challenging time."

In line with the principles that we have employed throughout this crisis, we will follow the health advice and have the protection of the community at the forefront of our decision making. **As a result the Maddingley Campus will revert to online learning from tomorrow. Essential worker student learning will continue on-campus until at least the end of the week.**

I apologise for this sudden change of circumstance. As always in this crisis we have agreed to follow health advice, even when that advice is required to make sudden changes due to the situation that confronts us.

I can understand some families being angry about the situation that we find ourselves in and the continued disruption to their lives. That frustration is understandable, however, I would ask you understand that there is a large number of people attempting to do the best for our community.

I will communicate further tomorrow.

Kind regards,

Mr Andrew A. Neal - Principal