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Dear Parents/Guardians,

I hope you and your families remain well. I am pleased to report no new cases amongst staff or students have been reported since I last contacted you.

We have placed a letter from DHHS on the School's Website and the MyBMG Portal. There are some points I wish to highlight:

- 1) Additional Testing Sites and arrangements will be in place on Day 13 to enable staff and Maddingley students to be tested for clearance from isolation. **We will inform you in a separate document of arrangements for the days at the end of isolation.** These will include screen free learning arrangements.
- 2) Woodlea students, who do not have siblings at Maddingley are now released from isolation and do not require a Day 13 test. The normal restrictions that apply to people in Victoria still apply to all students and parents. **The school campus at Woodlea remains closed to students from essential workers as all staff are still required to isolate.**
- 3) We continue to work on issues relating to the access to financial support on your behalf, particularly the issues related to the proof of the directive to isolate. I know these are both worrying and frustrating issues. I ask that you have patience as people work through this issue. We are doing what we can to assist with the process.
- 4) Online learning appears to be going very well given the conditions we are working under. Staff appreciate your support and understanding of the enormous effort they are making to continue to deliver the best learning we can under the conditions we face. If your child is struggling with aspects of the process I would ask you to contact their Year Level Co-Ordinator in the first instance.

As the letter from DHHS makes clear, they believe our community has done a wonderful job in both responding to the public health directives but also in assisting in the curbing of the spread of the virus. I would like to add my thanks as we near the mid-point of our isolation.

Stay well and please get tested if you haven't already or if you or those in your household are suffering any symptoms.

Kind regards,

Mr Andrew A. Neal - Principal