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Dear Parents/Guardians,

I hope you are well. There were two additional cases confirmed yesterday both family members of existing cases. Our thoughts are with those who are unwell.

1) Testing

There is continued anxiety about testing on day 13. Whilst this is understandable it is unnecessary. The school is working closely with DHHS to ensure that the process will be a smooth one. They are fully aware of the size of the task and are working to ensure that the process goes well. There will be lines and a wait but we are working together to minimise this. I will be writing to you with a separate clear set of instructions about the procedure for exiting quarantine once that has been finalised with the Department.

2) GAT and Consideration of Disadvantage (VCE Students only)

Discussions have been held with the CEO of VCAA about arrangements for students in relation to the GAT. I will have further information in the next 48 Hours. Again, rest assured that the interests of students in Senior Classes who are sitting external examinations are being protected and that special arrangements are under active consideration.

The next few days are potentially going to be the hardest. We have completed more than half of our confinement, but the end is still a little while off. Please be reassured that everyone at the school and at DHHS are working extremely hard on this community's behalf and we will have further answers to things in the coming days. I would ask you hang in there and continue to show the resilience that you have done to this stage.

Kind regards,

Mr Andrew A. Neal - Principal