

## PARENT BRIEFING #4 COVID-19

## PARISH AND SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMS & SCHOOL BASED ACTIVITIES

Friday 11 February 2022

**Dear Parents and Caregivers** 

In line with the WA Health Department Guidelines for COVID-19 High Case Load, CEWA has sent through the following updates to share with our school communities:

- Parish Masses are able to proceed at parish churches, with mitigation strategies in place including: face
  masks where mandated, social distancing should be adhered to and good hygiene practices such as
  hand sanitizer. School Masses can only be held on the school site but must be limited to single year
  groups with only students and teachers present.
- Sacramental Preparation Parent Meetings organised by the parish can continue on a school site if the parish adheres to all WA Health directions.
- Parish Sacramental Enrolment Masses are able to proceed, at the present time, providing the event is held at a parish church ensuring all mitigation strategies are being employed.
- Whole School Prayer will be prepared and videoed by the individual year level and shared with all the other classes to watch in their own classrooms.
- Extracurricular activities with mixed year levels should be avoided as per the WA Health advice.
- Kindy screening can continue.
- Excursions with single year cohorts can proceed subject to venue requirements and COVID-safe plans.
- School camps at present school camps may not proceed however single day retreats/excursions may take place with individual year levels.
- Assemblies schools can hold face to face assemblies indoors but must be limited to a class size of 32 or less and parents are not permitted to attend.
- Whole school events like carnivals and interschool competitions cannot be held on the school site but
  they can continue off-site, if physical distancing recommendations, mask mandates and venue rules for
  mandatory vaccination are in place, and if the venue/organizer has an up-to-date COVID-19 Safety Plan
  that it continues to implement.
- Off-site activities infrequent special events can continue including interschool outdoor events, provided physical distancing recommendations, mask mandates and venue rules for proof of vaccination are followed, and if the venue/organiser has COVID-19 Safe Plans in place.
- **Hymn Singing** is to be done with individual year levels only

Liwara will continue to work with CEWA and the Health Department of WA to provide direction and support in managing COVID-19. The health and wellbeing of our students and staff remains our highest priority so please keep your child at home if they begin to feel unwell, even with mild symptoms such as a headache and slight runny nose, until fully recovered. If they have a fever, cough and/or difficulty breathing please seek medical advice.

We will continue to monitor what seems to be a constantly changing environment and to make decisions focussing on the welfare of students and staff, based on the most recent, expert advice and information available.

Yours sincerely

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