



# ST. MARY'S COLLEGE SEYMOUR

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Dear Parents and Guardians

## COVID-19 Update No. 4

Dear Parents,

Apologies for this late email, but we have just received the latest CECV update.

This update will be followed by a **COVID-19 Update No. 5** before the end of this week.

Term 1 School holidays begin for our students as from Tuesday 24 March, as advised by the Victorian Government and the Chief Health Officer. As mentioned in previous updates the College will inform you if there is a change to the beginning of Term 2, which at this stage is Wednesday 15 April for all students.

Students have been asked to ensure they take all of their learning devices, schoolbooks and stationery home at the conclusion of classes today in case there is a shutdown extension beyond Wednesday 15 April. The Office will remain open for the remainder of this week if you have any queries.

St Mary's is conscious of parents who work in essential services and the College will provide care and supervision at school this week if that is required. For those parents who are currently working in **essential services** (ambulance, fire, hospitals, medical professions etc.), please notify the College by email to [principal@smseymour.catholic.edu.au](mailto:principal@smseymour.catholic.edu.au) as soon as possible as to the essential service you are involved in, along with your child's name, to allow us to have adequate supervision during the day. We will provide supervision for your children during school hours for the remainder of this week. Please be aware that Seymour Coaches are running bus services for Tuesday 24 March but you will need to personally confirm with Seymour Coaches regarding services for Wednesday 25 to Friday 27 March.

Please refer to the Department of Health and Human Services website if you require any further information on COVID-19 [www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/coronavirus](http://www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/coronavirus).

For the remainder of this week, staff will continue preparing for the possibility of student on-line learning beyond Wednesday 15 April.

Apologies again for this late notice, but the changing nature of the COVID-19 situation requires patience, understanding and that we are all in this together. If you have any queries or concerns, please contact the College directly.

Best wishes and stay safe,

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Principal

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