



Friday 9 October 2020

Dear Families and Friends of Geelong Grammar School,

COVID-19 (Novel Coronavirus) – Update #61 as at 8.30pm on Friday 9 October

It has been a joy to have students return safely to Bostock, Corio, Timbertop and Toorak for Term 4 this week. We are excited for the resumption of face-to-face classes across all year levels, all campuses from Monday 12 October.

COVID-19 Testing – all results negative for boarding students

As a proactive and preventative strategy within our high-risk boarding environment, students and staff at Corio and Timbertop were tested for COVID-19 this week. I am very relieved and pleased to report that all those tests were negative for our boarding students. This successful baseline testing provides confirmation that all boarding students “at that point in time” are, as best as testing can determine, COVID-19 free.

We are awaiting the results for a small number of our day students (who were tested after our boarding students). We are hopeful these results will be received early tomorrow.

We are grateful for the support of our GGS community as we employ a range of risk mitigation strategies for the continuation of on-campus learning and living in Term 4. These measures are campus-specific and include an emphasis on spatial distancing, excellent hygiene practices, daily temperature checks, wearing of face coverings/masks and the completion of our [Daily COVID-19 Health Questionnaire](#), as appropriate. For your convenience, GGS light blue cloth masks are now available to purchase from the [Uniform Shop](#).

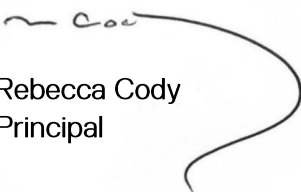
We will continue to adapt our measures in the usual GGS two-week planning cycle and weekend exeat/leave restrictions at Corio will be reviewed during the course of Term 4. We acknowledge your continued support in this regard.

Corio Bus Timetable

Please note that our Corio bus timetable will operate as normal from Monday, with the exception of the Middle School bus, which will depart at 3.45pm on Monday afternoon before reverting to its normal timetable for the remainder of the week.

I am incredibly grateful for the opportunities we now have to continue on campus learning and living next week. It will be tremendous for our students and staff to be reconnected and reenergised by one another's company.

Yours sincerely,


Rebecca Cody
Principal