

Friday 6 November 2020

Dear Families and Friends of Geelong Grammar School,

COVID-19 (Novel Coronavirus) - Update #65 as at 5.00pm on Friday 6 November

We continue to be buoyed by the positive progress of Victoria's Coronavirus (COVID-19) roadmap to reopening and closely monitor the daily updates on the outbreak of COVID-19 across the State. We are delighted and relieved that Victoria has now recorded a full week (seven consecutive days) of no new cases, that Melbourne's 14-day rolling average for new cases has dropped to 1.3 and that regional Victoria's rolling average remains at zero. There are currently 15 active cases in Victoria, all in metropolitan Melbourne. Victorian Premier, Daniel Andrews, said today that Melbourne remained "on track" to have further restrictions eased on Sunday, November 8, including the barrier between metropolitan and regional Victoria.

Interstate Travel – border restrictions

We continue to monitor updates on restrictions for interstate travel. Please refer to our most recent summary of <u>State and Territory Border Requirements</u>. Please note that these requirements continue to evolve. We encourage you to check with the relevant State or Territory authority before making travel arrangements to ensure you have the relevant permit or exemption approval.

Overseas Travel – Hong Kong

We are aware of the recent announcement by the Hong Kong Government that all returning travellers to Hong Kong will be required to undertake the mandatory 14-day quarantine period in a designated hotel, rather than home isolation, from Friday 13 November onwards. The School has written separately to our Hong Kong families to provide all necessary support for our students in these circumstances.

We will continue to adapt our COVIDSafe measures in the usual GGS two-week planning cycle. We have commenced mapping end of Term 4 arrangements and there will be ongoing communication with our community in a transparent and timely manner. We acknowledge and thank you for your continued support as we navigate an evolving situation.

I do hope you and your extended family remain well and positive in these changing times.

Yours sincerely,

