



**GEELONG GRAMMAR SCHOOL®**  
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Monday 1 February 2021

Dear Families and Friends of Geelong Grammar School (GGS),

### **COVID-19 (Novel Coronavirus) – Update #5 as at 1.00pm on Monday 1 February**

It has been wonderful to welcome students for our Year 10 Orientation Programme at Corio and we look forward to all our students joining us across our four campuses in the coming days.

We are alert but not alarmed by the positive case of coronavirus (COVID-19) in Western Australia and the resultant escalation of travel restrictions to enter Victoria. The Perth metropolitan area, the Peel region and the South West region of Western Australia have moved from a green zone to a red zone under Victoria's 'traffic light' travel permit system. We are working proactively with those families who have been in one of these designated red zones since January 25 and are directly impacted by these changes, including the rearrangement of flights (where permissible) to travel from other centres, including Darwin. We have successfully coordinated testing and isolation for students who have and are returning from Western Australia and we remain confident that our rigorous COVIDSafe planning and procedures will enable a safe and timely commencement to the 2021 school year for all our students.

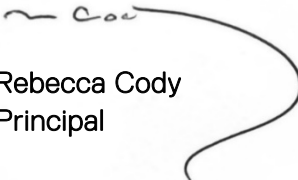
Please note that you are required to [apply for a permit](#) to enter Victoria from anywhere in Australia.

#### **Risk Mitigation**

We will continue to take a highly precautionary approach and prioritise the health, safety and wellbeing of our students and staff as we evolve our wide-reaching risk mitigation steps in response to COVID-19. These measures will be campus-specific and will include an emphasis on spatial distancing, excellent hygiene practices, the completion of our Daily COVID-19 Health Questionnaire and the wearing of face coverings/masks as appropriate (e.g. in classrooms at Corio and Timbertop, on buses and other public/shared transport and in circumstances where spatial distancing requirements cannot be met).

Thank you for continuing to direct all COVID-19 related queries to [C19questions@ggs.vic.edu.au](mailto:C19questions@ggs.vic.edu.au)

Yours sincerely,

  
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Principal