



Monday 13 December 2021

Dear Families and Friends of Geelong Grammar School,

**COVID-19 (Novel Coronavirus) – Update #65 as at 6.30pm on Monday 13 December**

**Status Update – the School has been notified that two Year 4 students at Bostock House have received a positive diagnosis of COVID-19; all Year 4 students at Bostock House are considered ‘education contacts’ and must isolate immediately, be tested for COVID-19, and remain in isolation until receiving confirmation of a negative test result.**

This afternoon, Monday 13 December 2021, the School received notification that following PCR (polymerase chain reaction) testing, two Year 4 students at Bostock House received a positive diagnosis of COVID-19.

- The students developed symptoms on Sunday 12 December and were immediately tested;
- The School received notification this afternoon, Monday 13 December, that both students had received a positive diagnosis of COVID-19;
- Although masks have been worn at all times indoors by all students and staff at Bostock House, the School has been advised that all Year 4 students are considered ‘education contacts’ (having been identified as sharing the same indoor space with someone who has COVID-19); and
- Consequently, all Year 4 students must isolate immediately, have a PCR test within the next 24 hours, and continue to isolate until they receive a negative test result.

I know our community is actively supporting the health and wellbeing of all of our students who have received a positive diagnosis of COVID-19 in recent days. We are thinking of them and wishing them a speedy recovery.

### **Principal’s Update**

Lastly for now, given the nature of my role and the visits to all campuses last week, it is important to advise that 30 minutes ago I was notified that a member of my household received a positive COVID-19 test result. I also tested on Sunday morning and received a negative result today, yet I became symptomatic yesterday afternoon. I am sharing this personal information to assist you in making an assessment as to whether or not you or your child need to test and isolate.

Effective immediately, Vice Principal Chris McNamara will assume full responsibilities as Acting Principal until I return to full health.

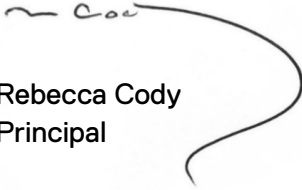
### **Next steps**

Given that this evening marks over 72 hours since students and staff were together at our campuses, we do not anticipate a need for further COVID-19 Updates in 2021. As ever, we trust our community to look out for one another more broadly and follow all Government regulations. Thank you for your support in adhering to these regulations in 2021.

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

My Christmas wish for you all is to know great health this festive season.

Yours sincerely,



Rebecca Cody  
Principal

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**Principal's Study**

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