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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Thank you for your continued patience as we work together to set up our online learning program. I am writing with further information regarding the College's transition to online learning and further social distancing measures being implemented.

Assessment Procedures for Remote Learning Term 1 2020

NSW Education Standards Authority (NESA) has recommended the following:

- *Schools should continue implementing their assessment policy and published school assessment programs. Schools must communicate, in writing, any changes to assessment programs to students ensuring adequate notice is provided.*

The following changes will now apply until the end of Term 1.

For Years 7-11

- All assessment tasks will be submitted online in Week 11 if they were due in weeks 9 or 10 of Term 1. In some instances the assessment will be cancelled.
- If there is a practical task, the faculty may set an alternate task that requires an online submission or the task may be cancelled.
- In the case of task cancellations, teachers will exercise their professional judgement when making assessment of students' achievement against syllabus outcomes and Course Performance Descriptors.
- There will be no reappportioning of weighting to later tasks.

Year 12 HSC Assessment

- Scheduled tasks for this term that are *hand in* are to be submitted by the due date electronically.
- Students who are ill should follow the College's Illness/Misadventure Policy and attach a parent letter outlining the nature of the illness and follow up with a doctors certificate within 7 days.
- For assessment tasks that are in-class, including practicals, Leaders of Learning working with subject teachers will devise an alternate *hand in* task and select an appropriate *new* due date.
- In issuing an alternate task a minimum of 2 weeks will be given before the due date.
- Any changes or cancellations to tasks will be communicated in writing to all students.

Uniform Shop

The College Uniform shop will continue to operate this term on an appointment only basis. The uniform shop hours will remain the same **Wednesday 10am to 2pm**. Should you require an appointment please email june.mitchell@syd.catholic.edu.au

Canteen

The College Canteen will be closed until further notice. Any students who attend school for supervision must bring their own recess and lunch.

Year 7 Vaccinations

We have cancelled Year 7 vaccinations scheduled for tomorrow. These have been rescheduled for Friday 1 May (Term 2 Week 1), however this could be subject to change. We have been given advice from Harbour Healthcare to request parents refrain from taking their children to their local GP's at this time.

Support Documents & Useful Information

The following support documents and links are provided to support our community through the transition to distance learning:

- [MCNS Remote Learning Plan](#)
- [Student Lesson Instructions](#)
- [Online Learning - What you need to do](#)
- Any student struggling or those who require extra support during this time should contact the College by emailing their House Coordinator or the College Counsellor at irit.bennissan@syd.catholic.edu.au
- IT support available at ict@maristns.catholic.edu.au
- To report your son's absence email reception@maristcollege.com. If your son is sick and unable to participate in the online lessons for that day. Parents must give a reason for the absence. **Please do not call the school.**

Appropriate use of Zoom

Students have been given access to each of their teachers *Zoom* links. This has been done so if the teacher informs the class that they will be using *Zoom* students can easily access the *Zoom* classroom. Students should not be on *zoom* for any other reason.

As has been stated in our Remote Learning Policy, the *Acceptable Use of Technology Policy* applies to all online learning. Any student using *Zoom* for inappropriate purposes will be contacted by the College and a parent interview will be arranged.

As students are working from home it is an expectation that parents are monitoring their sons' activities online including online lessons. If you are unable to do this, school is open and you should send your son to school where he can be closely monitored.

Community Expectations

As always we are committed to the welfare and wellbeing of our students. The partnership between College and home has never been more important. In these unprecedented and difficult times I urge our Community to remain calm and respectful towards each other. Abuse towards any staff member will not be tolerated by the College.

I will continue to keep you informed with any updated advice in the coming days and weeks. In the meantime should you have any concerns please email me at northshore@maristcollege.com.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tony Duncan." The signature is written in a cursive style with a period at the end.

Tony Duncan
Principal