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GRAMMAR SCHOOL

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Dear Parents, Guardians, CCGS Community Members

We find ourselves in a situation that no-one wanted: a second surge in coronavirus infections that is seeing us having to deliver all but ELC teaching online again for Term 3!

The pandemic is having a very significant impact on the school, the staff, the students and our CCGS families.

As you have come to know, the education of your children is our top priority.

The CCGS Board has met and discussed fully what the school might look like through this period and how it might operate. Similarly, the school administration and staff have worked assiduously to prepare for a continuation of on-line teaching and learning, which they have been engaged in from the advertised start of term.

So, for all but the students in the Early Learning Centre, where there is a full and comprehensive on-site program, we continue with on-line lessons for the foreseeable future.

On-Line Teaching

We continue to follow the guidelines prepared by the Victorian Government and it is most probable that we will not open the campus during Term 3 for students from Prep to Year 6.

As you have discovered, this is a different experience from the normal in-school one but one in which significant quality learning can take place. Our staff are committed to supporting you during this time and regularly reflect on our offering.

Fees

In recognition of the fact that Prep to Year 6 students will continue to learn on-line, there will be a partial remission of the usual termly fee for those families, and the revised fee statement will be with you in the coming week.

This means that there will be a 25% remission for Prep to Year 6 students on your next fee statement. Families of Early Learning Centre students will pay the full fee as the service continues to operate as usual.

In addition, the Composite Fee for Prep to Year 6 students will not be levied, as much of this charge is directed to the out-of-class activities that students undertake whilst at school.

Fees for the remainder of the year will be fixed as and when circumstances in the community become clearer and more predictable.

We are aware that this is a difficult time for some families so, if there are financial matters that you would like to discuss, please do not hesitate to contact the Principal or Business Manager, christine.dennis@ccgs.vic.edu.au.

There might well be families receiving the remission who are happy to pay the full fee. We encourage you to consider making a donation of the differential between the full and reduced fee to the CCGS Foundation so that families in some financial distress might be able to be assisted through this really challenging time.

In conclusion, you have agreed to make a significant outlay to have your child/children educated in as good a school as there is, so I am sure you will understand that we wish to retain, amongst other things, the highly-qualified and dedicated staff. This will enable us to be well positioned to reinstate the outstanding on-campus education your children receive as soon as matters in the community return to something like normal.

We are most grateful for the support that you have given us over the years, and we appreciate your understanding and co-operation during these troubled times.



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Chairman



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Principal