



18 March 2020

Coronavirus (COVID-19) – Information Letter 3

Dear members of our All Souls St Gabriels School Community,

Our Senior Leadership Team continue to meet to act accordingly upon advice, guidance and directives from the Queensland Health Department and Federal Government Authorities associated with this situation.

Today's announcement of an "immediate ban restricting non-essential indoor gatherings to 100 people or less imposed across the country, as Australia seeks to combat the spread of the coronavirus" has meant a change to the involvement of members of our School community in a number of events. See the lists at the end of this letter.

As per the advice from the National Cabinet:

At this stage, All Souls St Gabriels School will remain open for teaching, learning and residential activities.

Advice, guidance and directives received by authorities will continue to change as the situation evolves. The Senior Leadership Team (SLT) is aiming to keep all members of our community informed of any major changes to our routine practices. Our first information letter (dated 11 March) outlined the precautions we are taking to limit the spread of any infection in our community. These precautions continue. Our second letter (dated 16 March) included an update on our planning for academic programs and some major events in our calendar. The academic planning is continuing. This letter serves as an update on event cancellation / postponements.

We continue to follow the government's advice to instigate 'proportionate measures' to control the spread of this virus.

To consider the health and well-being of our entire School community, we respectfully ask families who are unwell not to attend School classes or events.

Event cancellation list

- Lady Day Chapel Service and Dinner
- Little Souls (Playgroup)
- Junior School Inter-School sporting fixtures and Gala Day
- Senior School Inter-School sporting fixtures
- Club Touch are continuing to hold their competition, however, ASSG Teams are not playing in the competition for the remainder of this term.
- Senior School Chapel Services
- Senior School Headmaster's Assembly
- ANZAC Day Dawn Service and Community March



Event suspension / postponement list

- Club Netball, Rugby League and Rugby Union seasons – as per announcements made by the relevant associations

Events still taking place with appropriate precautions

- Junior School Chapel Services
- Junior School Assembly
- Junior School Book Fair
- All Dining Hall meals
- Junior School & Senior School Training for Cross Country
- Junior School & Senior School Inter-House Cross Country Carnivals
- Senior School Sporting Team Training for Netball, Touch and Rugby League (with exceptions listed on Souls Schedule and Facebook by some coaches)
- Boarding students leave downtown on Saturdays
- Weekly boarding students returning to dormitories and School

Annie (School Musical)

Rehearsals for our show will continue.

Planning for alternative arrangements for the final performances are taking place between The World Theatre, the owners of the rights to the show and our production team, should it be needed. Audience size, possible additional shows, possible alternative dates in the same venue or a move to a different venue are being considered. More information will be published as soon as possible.

General advice

Further advice and information about the coronavirus is available on the Queensland Health website: <http://conditions.health.qld.gov.au/HealthCondition/condition/14/217/838/novel-coronavirus>.

Thank you to everyone for your well wishes and prayers for our School Community. This is yet another test of the true All Souls St Gabriels School spirit that binds us. I know we will continue to support each other in a caring way.

A reminder that Jon Teichmann is the School COVID-19 Liaison Officer. If you have any questions regarding the information included in this letter, please contact Jon (07) 4788 2210 or via email jteichmann@allsouls.qld.edu.au

Regards,


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