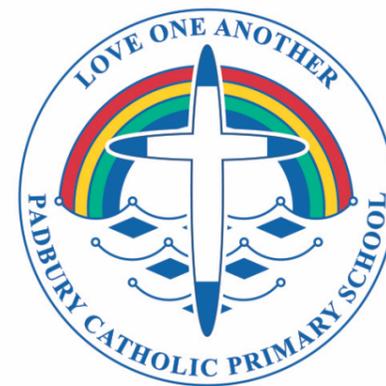


30 April 2021



Dear Parents

Yesterday evening, Premier Mark McGowan announced that COVID-19 restrictions in the Perth metropolitan area and Peel region will be eased from 12.01am Saturday 1 May. Modified restrictions will remain in place until 12.01am on Saturday 8 May 2021.

The easing of restrictions is very positive news for our school and will mean that many of our planned activities will be able to resume with minimal disruption. Below is an outline of the arrangements and restrictions as they apply to our school.

CEWA has advised that:

- Masks are mandatory for indoor public venues with exemption for medical reasons and for primary school aged children or younger.
- Churches may reopen to 100% capacity.
- Indoor facilities including school halls, gymnasiums, libraries are open subject to observing the two square metre rule for adults.
- **Masks are required to be worn at all indoor venues**, with exemption for medical reasons or for primary school aged children and younger.
- Outdoor sport and training can continue eg Running club, netball training etc and spectators are permitted.
- If outdoors, spectators are required to wear masks where physical distancing is not possible.

Students in Kindergarten to Year 6 are not required to wear a mask however staff are required to wear masks unless they are providing teaching or instructions to students.

Parents, visitors etc **who come on to the school site must wear a face mask** while they are **indoors** on a school site and **adhere to the two-square metre and 1.5m distancing rule**. Parents are asked to be particularly mindful of this especially before and after school. If parents, visitors etc are outdoors on a school site, masks must be worn if physical distancing is not possible.

Classes from Pre-Kindy to Year 6 open their doors at 8.30am. Parents are welcome to come into the classroom however please note that **10 parents may be in the classroom at a time** so that we can adhere to the 2sqm rule). Please be aware of all families wishing to spend time in the classroom and share this time accordingly.

Teachers may invite a few **more parent helpers** into the classroom and even more who can assist outside under the veranda or outside in another part of the school eg listening to reading, making resources, helping small group of children etc. If there are groups of parents helping outside, the school will be fine with the 2sqm regulation however please remember the 1.5 distancing regulation.

All parents entering classrooms are required to sanitise their hands utilising one of the many dispensers around the school/classrooms; sign in at the office if on roster and maintain safe social distancing.

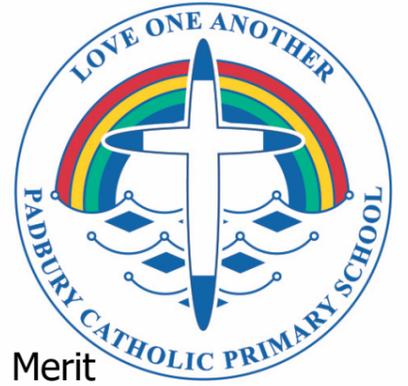


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We welcome parents to share in our **class liturgies and masses** (following the 2sqm metre regulation and social distancing). Please check the online calendar for dates of your child's liturgy.

Assemblies will be continuing as we did in Term 1 with parents invited to the Merit Assemblies if their child is receiving an award.

All parents and family members are welcome to the **Performance and Prayer Assemblies** (with COVID regulations being adhered to) as buddy classes only will be in the hall, with the assembly streamed to the classrooms. The latter enables no restriction on parents and family members, such as grandparents, to come and watch their child's assembly.

The **CyberSafety Parent session on Wednesday evening at 6.30pm** will also be going ahead in our school hall. **Our Mother's Day Breakfast and Assembly** will be able to go ahead, so I hope to see lots of mums and grandmas on Friday **7 May at 7.45am**. **Confirmation Commitment Masses on 8-9 May** will also go ahead.

On the **PCPS website you will find a dedicated COVID page** with all correspondence emailed to parents.

I am grateful to all in our school community, students, parents and staff, for your support in ensuring our school remains a safe environment for all, especially considering the current disruptions to school life. We are blessed that the measures taken have proven so successful and that students in WA are able to engage in their learning with minimal disruption.

I ask that you keep in your prayers communities around the world who continue to experience extreme hardship and suffering in this time with COVID.

Kind Regards

Mrs Margaret Williamson

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