



## COVID UPDATE MONDAY 26 APRIL 2021

Dear Parents

At his press conference this afternoon, Premier Mark McGowan advised that the lockdown of the Perth and Peel region will end at midnight tonight after Western Australia recorded no new community spread of COVID-19 cases in the past 24 hours. While Perth and Peel residents will be free to leave their homes and return to work and schools, some interim restrictions will remain for the next four days, including the mandatory wearing of face masks for adults.

Information about the Government's announcement is available on the [wa.gov.au](http://wa.gov.au) site. The latest health information is available through [WA Health Department](http://WA Health Department).

The most important aspect of the restrictions will be a requirement for all staff members to wear a mask unless they are providing teaching or instructions to students. There is no requirement for students from Pre-Kindy to Year 6 to wear a mask, however they may choose to if they wish.

**Parents, visitors etc who come on to the school site must wear a face mask 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.

Whilst parents are permitted to go into classrooms (restricted numbers) please be mindful of the current situation and once your child is settled we ask that you leave the classroom.

Sport training is permitted to go ahead however no spectators are permitted e.g. running club, netball training. At this point in time CEWA has advised that assemblies can go ahead however parents are not permitted. We will take a photo of your child and the class teacher will send a copy home to you. Should the situation with assemblies change, parents will be notified ahead of the Merit assembly this week.

Some children may come back after the three-day lockdown with mixed emotions. Please be reassured that the staff are ready to welcome your children back after the long weekend and settle them back into the school routine. Our Social Worker, Mrs Ali Fisher, is available should you or your child require assistance.

On the **PCPS website you will find a dedicated COVID page** (<https://www.padcath.wa.edu.au/covid-updates-2021>) with all correspondence emailed to parents. There is also a letter from PCPS Social Worker Ali Fisher with some great information on talking to your child about lockdown and mask wearing.

I look forward to seeing you all on Tuesday.

Kind regards

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**Principal**



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