

SCHOOL CLOSED MONDAY 15TH TO WEDNESDAY 17TH FEBRUARY 2021

12th February 2021

Dear SFX Families,

Following the Premiers' announcement at 1pm of the Stage 4 Lockdown of Melbourne from midnight 12th February to Wednesday 17th February, there will be no classes on:

- **Monday 15th February 2021**
- **Tuesday 16th February 2021**
- **Wednesday 17th February 2021**

School will be closed to all families except:

- Children of those families who are Permitted Essential Workers
- Those children who are vulnerable

All events such as the Welcome Picnic, Prep Interview Day, Ash Wednesday Mass, Interschool School Swimming Carnival will be either postponed or cancelled.

So as to not disadvantage those children who are at home with their parents on these three school days, no classes or learning will occur. SFX School is simply providing child minding services to allow Permitted Essential Workers time to complete their important role in society. Permitted Essential Workers include workers such as paramedics, nurses, doctors, police, fire and rescue workers who are actually on duty on one or all of these three days. As such students who need to attend school must bring their own entertainment, colouring books, puzzles, lunches and drink bottles and do not need to wear school uniform.

Parents who require this child minding service on these three days must fill in the link below by **midday on Sunday 14th February** so that we can staff adequately with the appropriate staffing ratio. Late applications cannot be accepted. Students must arrive at school at 8.55am and enter by the Mayona Rd gate.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1zqL7nm-lpelMUv7hSixEegGucHuHo80PmJtRLaJrAYc/edit>

SFX School will be very strict in accepting children at school for child minding. The intent of the Premier's Stage 4 lockdown is clear. To keep to an absolute minimum people who are travelling and making contact with one another. This includes children and teachers.

Please check your phone (Updat-Ed), your E-Newsletter, your SFX Parents Association Facebook page and the School Website for return to school instructions. Returning to school and regular classes on Thursday will be at the discretion and direction of the Victorian Government and Melbourne Archdiocese Catholic School (MACS) directive.

Let us hope and pray that we will be back on Thursday, ready to re-commence our term together.

Philip Cachia
Principal