

**COVID-19 (Update 2 - 12 March)**

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Good afternoon Parents and Carers,

This email is a further update to communication previously published in relation to COVID-19 on:

- 27 February 2020
- 10 March 2020.

In response to the developing nature of the COVID-19 outbreak, the Macquarie College domestic camps scheduled for the remainder of Term 1 2020 have now been postponed to a date to be determined.

Programs impacted by this postponement include:

- The Year 6 Canberra Camp
- The Year 7 Great Aussie Bush Camp
- The Year 8 Blue Mountains Camp
- The Year 9 Snowy Mountains Camp
- The Year 10 Sydney Urban Camp
- The Year 11 Melbourne Urban Camp
- The Senior School STEM Camp to Brisbane

As with previous postponements, Macquarie College understands the disappointment that such postponements may result in and we will continue to monitor conditions related to COVID-19, and remain in communication with event partners, with the intention of rescheduling these programs at the first available opportunity. However, as previously stated, our first and primary responsibility as a school is to ensure the safety and wellbeing of our students in all circumstances, hence, in the current environment, postponement is again the most appropriate course of action.

Based on advice from the NSW Department of Health and the Association of Independent Schools NSW, the following additional elements will now also be included as part of a campus-wide response to the COVID-19 outbreak:

- Supervised sanitisation of student hands at entrance to class and before meals
- Enhanced hygiene and screening for illness amongst canteen staff and volunteers
- Ensuring that learning spaces are adequately cross-ventilated
- Regular disinfecting of high touch surfaces and between regular users
- Preparation for continuity of learning resources for students (in the event of student exclusion and/or temporary school closure).

Fortunately to date, there have been no reported cases of COVID-19 amongst Macquarie College students or staff.

An update to this message will be published in a fortnight unless circumstances change significantly in the interim.

Kind regards



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