



**Principal Update
P&C Meeting
Wednesday 16 March 2022**

Items

1. COVID Summary

We have had an increasing number of students test positive to COVID-19 at the College. We have informed the community of a case when the student has been at the College during their infectious period. In excess of 80 students have been identified as close contacts of a known positive case. No staff at this stage have been confirmed COVID-19 positive. Several staff have been absent from the College for a number of days due to being unwell, or having been identified as a close contact.

Current Operations in very high case load setting

If students are identified as close contacts, they need to take a PCR test or a RAT on Day 1 or as soon as possible:

- if positive – follow confirmed COVID-19 case guideline
- if negative return to school. The student is allowed to attend:
 - school;
 - out of school care; and
 - sporting or cultural training, practice or events organised through the relevant school and held immediately before or after school on the school grounds, travelling between the student's usual place of residence and the place where the activity above takes place.

We are now contacting parents of students who are close contacts by email.

College staff are working well under difficult and changing circumstances to retain a normalcy for students at school, and to provide a continuity of learning. The execution of the swimming carnival with parent participation and the delivery of the Year Seven camp are examples of this. Students are continuing to access the resources contained in Teams when learning from home.

2. Call for Nominations for College Board Representatives

We are calling for Parent Member nominations to fill vacant positions on the Bob Hawke College Board. The College Board has a total of five Parent Member positions and there are currently two positions available for nomination. Each of these positions has a three year tenure, commencing in May 2022. To be suitably qualified for a position as a Parent Member on the Board, you are required to have a child enrolled at the College.

Information on how to nominate will be sent directly to parents in the coming weeks via Compass.

3. Stage II Progress

Contractors are in the final stages of completing the fit-out for the commercial kitchen in Stage I. Stage II Progress is continuing on schedule.

4. Calendar

14-18 March	HASS Week
14 March	Interschool Swimming Carnival
17 March	Floating CREW
18 March	Bullying No Way Day
21-25 March	Harmony Week
23 March	College Board Meeting
24 March	2023 GAT presentation
25 March	School Photos (catch up 30/03)
8 April	ANZAC Commemoration