

4 March 2022



Our Lady of Mercy College

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Confirmed Covid Cases

In addition to our notification yesterday, Our Lady of Mercy College has received information of an additional five students (Year 9 and Year 12) who have tested positive for COVID-19. The College is waiting to receive advice from a number of students who are currently awaiting the outcome of PCR tests.

The majority of these students attended school while infectious.

Students and staff deemed a close contact by WA Health or the College will be contacted and must follow the advice provided.

Advice for all families and staff:

- The school remains open.
- As for everyone in Western Australia, we ask that you monitor your student/yourself for symptoms of COVID-19
- If any member of your family feels unwell, get tested and isolate until you receive a negative result.
- Please note that the Omicron strain can present with less typical symptoms such as diarrhoea, particularly in children.
- If you or your child develops symptoms, please do not attend school.

Please refrain from sharing this news via social media and allow the school, CEWA and WA Health to communicate the facts – protecting both the privacy and dignity of all concerned.

I will keep you updated with any new information. Please be alert for further communication from ourselves and WA Health.

If you have queries or concerns regarding your child, please contact me. If you have health concerns, please contact WA Health on 1300 316 555 or at email PHOpsClinical@health.wa.gov.au.

The College has uploaded related information and Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ's) to our College website. In addition, we have resources available on our Wellbeing Page which can be located via this [link](#).

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rob Crothers".

Rob Crothers
Principal

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