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Our Lady of Mercy College

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Confirmed Covid Cases

Since my last communication with you, the College has received information that an additional three students have tested positive for COVID-19. The students were in Years 8 and 12.

Any student or staff member deemed to be a close contact by WA Health or the College has already been contacted and commenced isolation.

Further, some members of our College have been designated as close contacts as a result of interactions outside of our immediate community. As you may appreciate, families are making their own decisions around testing and isolation based on their individual circumstances and interactions.

Advice for all families and staff:

- The College continues to remain open. Students who are in isolation and well, are continuing to engage with their learning within the context of our Blended Learning initiative.
- If any member of your family feels unwell, we ask that they get tested and isolate until they 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.

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

Should your family receive notification of a positive PCR result, I ask that you contact the College as soon as possible so that we may take any necessary action required.

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.

Regards,

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Principal

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