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Dear Families of Encounter

The last 24 hours have presented South Australians with another significant challenge associated with the escalation of the COVID-19 pandemic. From a College perspective, our commitment is to adapt quickly and communicate openly with you in the days ahead.

Although we will be flexible as instructions from the SA Government and SA Health are updated, at this stage the following will be implemented to best support teaching and learning at Encounter in the week ahead:

- Wednesday 21st July will be a student free day. This will enable teachers to prepare for an online learning environment from Thursday to Tuesday.
- For parents who are required to work as essential workers on Wednesday, YMCA are making available a vacation care service. All bus services will also operate for children of active essential workers;
- Our Early Learning Centre will continue operating for children of essential workers;
- From Thursday to Tuesday, parents who are required to work as essential workers are able to send their children to school. These students will access online learning with the support of a small group of staff. If you need to send your children to school, please email admin@encounter.sa.edu.au so we can allocate staff accordingly;
- All students are expected to access online learning from Thursday to Tuesday.

Tori Weiss and Penny McKenzie will share information more specific to Junior School and Middle & Senior School tomorrow. Please also note the attached document outlining those deemed to be essential workers.

As we have aimed to do throughout this entire journey, we will continue to focus on the welfare of our students and staff and will seek to be kind and compassionate in all of our actions. We thank you for your cooperation and patience as we continue to support teaching and learning at Encounter in a dynamic environment.

I will provide further correspondence as the situation evolves and as advice is updated.

Yours sincerely



Kelvin Grivell
Principal

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