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Dear Parent/Caregiver

You have been extraordinarily patient and supportive throughout the period of COVID-19 – I remain very grateful!!

Following the announcement that Phase 3 of the COVID-19 WA Roadmap to Recovery will be effective from Saturday 6 June, further changes regarding school operations will come into effect from Monday 8 June. The following directives have been issued for Catholic schools:

- Parents/caregivers are able to come onto the school site to drop-off/pick-up their child/ren but **CANNOT** enter classrooms. With this in mind, please note:
 - Staff will no longer be on duty in the same numbers before and after school. Unfortunately, the numbers of staff needed for the current arrangements cannot be sustained long-term.
 - The front carpark will revert to **one lane** for drop-off and pick-up.
 - Pre-K, K & PP parents/caregivers must park and walk their child to and from the classroom (this will eliminate nearly 100 cars from the driveway queue).
 - Yr 1-6 students can be dropped-off/picked-up from the front of the admin building. In the morning, ALL students (Yr 1s&2s included) are to make their way to the Library and wait with the supervising staff until the bell goes. If accompanying your child/ren, you are to also wait in this area and make your farewells from here.
 - If your youngest child is in Yr 3 or higher, pick-up is encouraged from the far side of the school (hopefully you have come to realise this is to your advantage and makes for a quicker exit). The temporary pick-up area established nearest the Yr 1 classrooms will no longer be operating.
 - To reduce the impact on drivers not connected to St Helena's, anyone arriving before 2.15pm will be asked to park or leave the driveway. Queuing will only be allowed to commence from 2.15pm.
 - If collecting your child during the day please arrange through the office.
- Water bubblers will be turned back on and available for students to REFILL their water bottles but not to drink from. Despite this, you are encouraged to continue to send your child/ren to school with adequate water. The fountains will be disinfected after recess and lunch and again after school.
- As far as possible, appropriate social distancing is to be maintained in all situations, especially in interactions between adults.
- Face-to-face parent and teacher meetings can occur onsite but **must be pre-arranged**.

As always, the carpark is a considerable concern. Please be patient and adhere to all rules, directions and requests. The safety of our students remains our highest priority.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Kindest regards

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