

Emmanuel Christian Community School

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Dear Parents/Guardians and Families,

We appreciate your support as we try our best to care for our community during this COVID-19 pandemic. We have implemented a number of measures to help reduce the risk to our community.

The Senior Leadership Team are monitoring and reviewing the situation daily and will keep the ECCS Community updated with any changes to the School's response to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

As you are aware, this situation is changing constantly, and we have included the latest update from the WA Premier, Mark McGowan released today.

Extract from 23 March 2020 Press Release:

"...... if parents decide to not send their kids to school, they will not face any of the usual consequences. The McGowan Government understands that parents have the right to make their own choice in this regard.

Mr McGowan urged those who decide to keep their children home to abide by all other laws, including all new social distances rules that have been introduced.

"Regarding schools, we will continue to make decisions based on the best medical advice in the nation. I understand that parents are concerned and may want to keep their kids home. We respect parents' right to make this choice".

Across the public school system, resources will be provided if parents choose to keep their children home, so they have the option to continue with an education program for the remainder of the term.

The School will continue to support any parents who choose to keep their children home to reduce the risk of social contact with the new social distancing rules, which along with personal hygiene, is the main COVID-19 pandemic preventative measure the Health Authorities and Government are demanding we comply to.

Emmanuel Community Christian School is preparing to trial a Modified Curriculum Delivery Program. We are preparing at this stage to have Kindergarten to Year 10 students working from home from Monday 30 March next week. At this time, Year 11 and 12 students are expected to be at school but with a modified program.

It is possible that this response by the school may be adjusted as the situation changes, or as the Board or Government Departments give further direction.

We thank you for your patience and understanding during this time. Your cooperation in following the health and safety measures to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in our community is greatly appreciated.

We are trusting in the Lord to see us through this difficult time.

God bless

Gary Harris Principal