



8. School Holidays/COVID19

Dear Families,

As many may already be aware, the State Government has brought forward the holidays in Victoria, starting **Tuesday 24 March**. In accordance with this directive, we also wish to confirm that OSHClub will not be operating over this period and will re-commence in Term 2 when students return.

These are indeed unprecedented times and extraordinary measures are required to ensure the safety of all members within our community.

School will finish for Term 1 at 3.30pm on Monday March 23. School will return for Term 2 on **Wednesday April 15**, as the staff will use Tuesday April 15 to prepare units of work, literacy and mathematics activities for the Term and organise Chromebook distribution if required. Please note, Chromebooks are not required over this extended 'holiday' period and **will not** be sent home.

Whilst we sincerely appreciate this will have implications for our many families, please be assured we will 'hit the ground running' at the commencement of Term 2 with a full academic program. Classroom teachers are well prepared if students are required to be working remotely at the start of next term.

Please note, Term 1 PSG meetings will be cancelled. Evaluated Term 1 Personalised Learning Plans have been emailed. If you have any questions or queries please don't hesitate to contact Rebekah Skehan (Learning Diversity) - rskehan@sjelst.catholic.edu.au

We politely remind you to read and adhere to our previous CareMonkey regarding revised drop off and pick up routines. These will be in place **tomorrow**.

We have advised all staff regarding these matters and the primary aim on Monday is to ensure the children are well supported and calm in light of the unfolding situation.

We thank all families for their understanding and trust. We will continue to keep you well informed over the coming days.

Importantly, let's ensure our community looks out for one another and we stay connected and safe.

Warmest regards,

Simon, Sarah and Claire