



Our Lady of the Sacred Heart School Merbein

Reg. No. 1277

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Dear Parents and Families,

After the Premiers announcement yesterday offered little information in regards to a return to school, this morning Daniel Andrews has announced that schools will begin a phased return to school before the end of May. This has come as good news for our schools!

At this stage, it is expected that remote learning will continue for another two weeks for junior students and another four weeks for middle and senior students. The following outlines the proposed timeline:

- **Monday 25th May Pupil free day**
- **Monday 25th May – return of staff (except a small group of potentially-vulnerable staff)**
- **Tuesday 26th May – Return of Foundation and Years 1 and 2**
- **Tuesday 9th June – Return of Years 3-10**

When students return to school, protocols around hygiene and adult social distancing will continue to be in place. These strategies will be outlined further for parents in future communications.

At this stage, we continue to support your children by providing remote online learning. Although this has no doubt been very challenging at times, parents have done a fantastic job of supporting their children through this situation!

Please continue to do your best until we are all back at school. Further information will be sent out to parents as we receive it. Until then, stay safe.

Yours sincerely,
Narelle Gallagher.