



23 March 2020

## PARENT UPDATE REGARDING COVID-19

### YEAR 12 ASSESSMENT WEEK (March 30 – April 3)

Dear Parents and Carers of Year 12 Students

Further to the information provided in this morning's correspondence, we have made the decision today to cancel the HSC Examination Assessment block scheduled for next week. We have made this decision in the best interest of the boys. We believe the current levels of anxiety that students are experiencing would impact on their performance in these assessments. In addition to this, many more parents are making the decision to self-isolate members of their family and this decision needs to be respected.

We have shared this decision with students this afternoon and explained that we will be looking to make adjustments to their HSC Assessment once NESA has provided more detailed advice. As explained in my earlier correspondence, NESA has assured us that no student will be disadvantaged by any adjustments that may be introduced.

It is important that parents inform us if they have concerns about their son's well-being. Mr Beattie their Pastoral Leader, Mr English the College Director of Pastoral Care, the College Counsellors, their Home Room Teacher, teachers and I are all available to provide any support that might be needed.

Please feel assured that we will do everything we can to ensure that we take care of and support our boys during this difficult time. Do hesitate to contact me on 4321 6400, or via email at [principal@stedwards.nsw.edu.au](mailto:principal@stedwards.nsw.edu.au) if you have any questions or would like to discuss the information outlined in this letter.

Your sincerely

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