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Dear Parents and Families

Re: Changes to the Start of the School Year (COVID-19 Communication No#1)

Happy New Year and I trust that you have enjoyed a restful break with family and loved ones.

I wish to advise that the Premier has announced today, a number of changes that will affect the 2022 school year. These are:

- Delaying the commencement of the school year by two weeks for students in Kindergarten to Year 10.
- Onsite learning for the school year will now commence on Monday 7 February.
- Remote learning for Years 11 and 12 students will commence from Monday 31 January. During this period all other students will still be on holidays and not provided remote learning.

These changes apply to our Kindergarten, and Junior and Senior Schools.

We have also been advised that during the two-week period from Monday 24 January until Friday 4 February, schools will be open for students of essential workers and vulnerable children for supervision.

The School will be receiving further information from the Queensland Government and Independent Schools Queensland in the coming days.

Given this recent announcement, the School's leadership team will be meeting in the coming week to determine what impact these changes will have on our Whitsunday Anglican School community. Once we have met to evaluate all of the relevant information available, we shall be in contact with our families to provide an update on the processes for the start of the 2022 school year at Whitsunday.

Thank you once again for your support during these challenging times, stay safe and I look forward to meeting with you when we return to onsite learning.

Best wishes

Andrew Wheaton
Principal