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**Dear Parents** 

## **UPDATE – CLASSROOM ENTRY 2021**

We look forward to welcoming you and your child/children on MONDAY February 1 Kindy Blue, Pre Primary -Year 6 TUESDAY February 2 Kindy White and Playgroup.

The Catholic Education Office of Western Australia has asked all schools to keep parents informed as to the current status regarding government regulations. Hence, I write to you all.

The safety and well-being of children is always our number one priority. We are mindful that the beginning of the school year is a special time for our students and parents. We know some students may be anxious at moving into a new class or leaving their parents. However, the two-square metre rule still applies to parents and visitors in schools. With this in mind, we ask that you please take careful note of the following:

Kindy students who are comfortable leaving their parents are encouraged to say a quick goodbye to their parents at the classroom door. All children that require it, can have **one adult only enter the classroom for minimal time**. When teachers deem there are a maximum number of adults in a classroom, they may request that you wait outside with your child to enter until another adult exits, unless your child is entering independently.

Pre-Primary to Year 2 students that are comfortable leaving their parents are encouraged to say a quick goodbye to their parents at the classroom door. All children that require it, can have **one adult only enter the classroom for minimal time**. When teachers deem there are a maximum number of adults in a classroom, they may request that you wait outside with your child to enter until another adult exits, unless your child is entering independently.

We ask that older students (Years 3-6) enter their classrooms independent of adults, wherever possible. If an adult needs to accompany their child, we request one adult only and again, for a minimal amount of time. There is no need for parents to unpack their children's booklists and stationery. This will be done once classes commence by the teacher.

All new students and students with needs may have an adult enter the classroom with them as per above.

While we all like and enjoy the social aspect of our wonderful school and community, we ask that parents set the appropriate social distancing requirements as examples for all to follow.

If you have something of the utmost urgency to inform your child's teacher on the first day of school then please consider writing it in a note or emailing the teacher directly. If you do not know your teacher's email address then please send it to admin and we will gladly forward it on. <a href="mailto:admin@standrews.wa.edu.au">admin@standrews.wa.edu.au</a>

A reminder that **Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> February is our Parent Open Afternoon**. There will be limited numbers of parents allowed in the classrooms at one time. Please be patient and understanding and, of course, observe social distancing and use the hand sanitisers provided in each classroom.

Thank you for your understanding. We look forward to welcoming you all back to the 2021 school year. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to speak to your classroom teacher.

Warm regards,

Leadership Team