

## **James Busby High School**



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Dear school community,

Our school continues to be advised of members of our community who have tested positive to COVID-19. The numbers of COVID positive students in Years 7-12, both in our Special Education and Mainstream settings as well as some COVID positive staff, have increased slowly.

As a result, students and staff may have had contact with persons who are infectious with COVID-19. *Please carefully monitor for symptoms*.

Please also advise us if your child is a close contact and ensure they complete a RAT test each morning for 5 school days and wear a mask each day to school if negative. Please keep your child at home if they are symptomatic and consider a PCR test if concerned. Additional RATs can be obtained from school.

Please use the links for further information: <a href="https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/management/people-exposed-to-covid">https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/management/people-exposed-to-covid</a>

https://education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/advice-for-families#Close0

You are reminded that staff and students cannot attend school if they are showing any symptoms of COVID-19, even if very mild. These include fever, cough, sore throat, shortness of breath, runny nose, loss of smell/taste, muscle/joint pains, diarrhoea, nausea/vomiting, extreme tiredness, unexplained chest pain or conjunctivitis (eye infection).

**If a rapid antigen test is positive** your child should isolate for 7 days and only return to school when symptoms have gone. If you cannot access a rapid antigen test, you can attend a PCR (nose and throat swab) testing clinic. <u>Please inform us of the positive</u> result.

Advice and further resources are available on the NSW Health website including COVID-19 guidelines and fact sheets for <u>People who tested positive or were exposed to COVID-19External link</u>. Additional resources are also available on the <u>NSW GovernmentExternal link</u> website.

We have RAT kits available if needed. Please contact our front office on 96077766 and they will arrange this for you.

The safety and wellbeing of our staff and students are always paramount. As such, we will continue to ensure that all necessary health advice is closely followed.

Thank you again for your ongoing support.