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Dear parents and carers

I'm writing to keep you updated about COVID-19 restrictions and ACT Government mandatory public health directions. The situation is changing rapidly in NSW and we will need to continue to communicate any changed requirements or advice with you.

The ACT Government has updated a COVID-19 Public Health Direction this morning, which legally requires anyone who has been in affected locations identified by NSW Health to self-quarantine for 14 days from the date they were in the following locations, even if they do not have any symptoms. At this time, these locations are:

- 1. Batemans Bay Soldiers Club Monday 13 July, Wednesday 15 July to Friday 17 July
- 2. **Crossroads Hotel in Casula** between Friday 3 July to Friday 10 July.
- 3. Planet Fitness in Casula between Saturday 4 July and Friday 10 July.
- 4. **Picton Hotel in Picton** on Saturday 4 July, Sunday 5 July, Thursday 9 July or Friday 10 July.

If any of your family members have been in any of these locations on the dates specified above, you must get in touch with ACT Health through the COVID-19 Helpline on **(02) 6207 7244** so you can be supported through quarantine. You and your child/children are also encouraged to get tested for COVID-19 – even if you have no symptoms. Even if you return a negative result you must self-quarantine for 14 days from the date you were last at the location.

If you and your family are required to self-quarantine, please get in touch with us so that we can support your child/children to continue learning.

The Public Health Direction and more information and updates are available on the ACT Government <u>ACT COVID19 website</u>. The situation in NSW is evolving and it is important to stay up to date through the COVID19 website and ACT Health Directorate Facebook and Twitter accounts.

Again, we would stress that it's important we all take time to focus on our wellbeing and the wellbeing of our families during this time. You can find a range of useful wellbeing resources for students and families via this <u>link</u>. If you have any questions, please speak with your child's teacher in the first instance.

We thank you for your ongoing support as we continue to ensure our schools are safe places for our staff and students.

Kind regards
Jacqui Chapman
Acting Principal
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