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Dear staff, parents and carers

Following the Victorian Government's announcement that additional COVID Safe measures will be put in place from 6pm on Tuesday 25 May, across metropolitan Melbourne that include changes to the [COVID Safe settings](#) including new limits to public and private gatherings and changes to mask wearing in some settings.

Schools remain open with the current restrictions that are in place. There are no changes to existing density rules.

At Cheltenham Primary School

- School staff and students aged 12 or older **must carry a face mask at all times** and **wear a face mask indoors when at school**, including when attending an Outside School Hours Care (OSHC) program, unless a [lawful exception applies](#).
- Children under 12 years of age and students at primary school are not required to wear face masks when at school, or when attending an OSHC program.
- Face masks are mandatory for all school staff and school students aged 12 or older on public transport and when in taxis or ride share vehicles. This includes travelling to and from school on public transport or in a vehicle with others not from your household.
- Teachers and education support staff are not required to wear face masks while teaching, but those who wish to do so, may.
- Parent attendance at Junior and Senior indoor assemblies is suspended until further notice.

Visitors and parents continue to be welcome at our school in class and specialist programs but must contact trace on entry, sanitise hands and observe face mask requirements.

Excursions in metropolitan Victoria may continue if face mask requirements are followed.

These measures are aimed at giving health authorities the best opportunity to stop the spread of the virus in our community.

Thank you for your understanding and support as we continue to implement COVID Safe practices at our school.

Regards

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