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Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you again for all of your support over the past weeks as we have moved to remote learning as part of the ACT's health response to COVID-19.

Following advice from the ACT Government and Chief Health Officer, remote learning will continue for all Catholic Education students in Years 7-10 during the first four weeks of Term 4, which begins on Tuesday 5 October.

I have written separately to Years 11 and 12 students and their parents to advise them of the arrangements that will be in place for them from the beginning of next term.

Catholic Education will be working over the school holidays to develop further plans for a phased return to on-campus learning in Term 4 when it is safe to do so. Any plans will of course be completely subject to health advice, including in relation to case numbers and vaccination rates.

While I am sure this news will be disappointing to some, the Chief Health Officer has made this decision based on what we know about the COVID-19 outbreak in our community. The health and safety of students, staff and their families is our number one priority.

During remote learning, our school will continue to remain open for children who need to attend school. Those students will be supervised as they access the same remote learning program as their classmates.

From Monday 20 September all children in the ACT aged 12 years and over will be able to book a Pfizer vaccination appointment at an ACT Government clinic. There are two vaccines approved for 12- to 15-year-olds in Australia, with Pfizer available from participating GPs already, and Moderna expected to be available at participating pharmacies from 20 September.

You can find more information about the vaccination program and how to book on the ACT Government's COVID-19 website.

Please remember that the most important thing you can do is support your child's wellbeing. Keep in mind that children can express their feelings in many ways. I encourage you to speak openly with your children about how they are feeling.



If your child requires extra help and assistance, counselling is available through CatholicCare. To access the service, a booking request may be made by contacting (02) 6162 6100.

You can keep up to date with the latest health information and advice on the ACT's COVID-19 website www.covid19.act.gov.au

Please contact us if you have any feedback about remote learning, or if you have any concerns.

I hope your family is able to spend some time relaxing together during the upcoming school holidays.

Warm regards,

Catherine Rey