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Dear parents and carers,

I'm writing to update you regarding the current situation at school around COVID 19 infections. We continue to have large numbers of both students and staff either testing positive or being deemed close contacts which has resulted in many members of our school community isolating at home for periods of time. This is causing major disruption to teaching and learning but we continue to do all we can to ensure that the school remains operational. The staff absences have resulted in many classes being combined and minimally supervised or other classes being taught by teachers who are not the regular class teacher. Regrettably, some classes have had multiple periods of minimal supervision in the one day, which is far from ideal, but this situation is beyond our control at the present time. This situation is likely to continue until the end of next week, with Term 1 coming to an end on Friday 8th April.

Our hope is that the Easter holidays will provide a 'circuit-breaker' and allow us to return to something approaching normal staffing levels for Term 2. I thank you very much for your patience and understanding during these particularly difficult times. I would also like to publicly acknowledge the assistance we have been given by corporate staff from the Department of Education, led by our Director Educational Leadership, Dr Glen Patterson, in covering classes when no other staff were available.

Wishing you a happy and especially safe Easter.

Regards,
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