



**Public Health Unit
Metro South Health**

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Dear students, teachers and staff

Re: A special message for the Parklands Christian College community

The Metro South Public Health Unit (MSPHU) thanks for your role in helping to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

MSPHU has received queries about the following issues:

COVID-19 test results

Students and staff were tested last week and are awaiting test results. MSPHU is notified of any positive results and will contact parents and staff as soon as possible after a positive result is notified.

Metro South Health will notify negative results, but there is some delay. In the meantime, students and staff are required to remain in quarantine until and including **Thursday, 6th August 2020 (provided the COVID-19 test results on 3–4th August 2020 are negative)**. Please see letters dated 1st and 2nd August for details of clinics. A catch-up clinic is available on Wednesday morning (5th August) until midday for students / staff who are unable to attend the clinics at their allocated times.

Students and staff are required to remain in quarantine **until you have received a negative result**. If you have not yet received your results by midnight, 6th August, please remain in quarantine until you have received the results.

COVID-19 testing for parents

COVID-19 testing is not recommended for parents or other family members in the Parklands Christian College community, unless any symptoms of COVID-19 develop (see below):

- Fever
- Cough
- Sore throat
- Runny nose
- Loss of taste or smell
- Tiredness and muscle aches
- Vomiting and/or diarrhoea
- Shortness of breath

If you have symptoms, you can be tested at a [fever clinic](#). Please refer to the attached factsheet about COVID-19 quarantine information for school students and parents for additional information.

We thank you again for your assistance in these challenging times.

Yours sincerely,

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