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Dear Shalom Families

I hope that you are all coping as well as you are able with this very different Easter break. You will be aware that all schools will be open next week for the children of families who need to attend school. On-line activities and a formal programme will be available for the majority who will work from home. The daily programme was outlined in the last Newsletter of Term 1.

The Director, Ms Leesa Jeffcoat, sent you all a letter yesterday outlining the support that will be offered across the Diocese for those who need some assistance with school fees. We are very conscious that many families will be experiencing financial hardship as we negotiate our way through the crisis caused by the Covid19 virus. As Leesa said in her letter, we will be very grateful for those families who are able to continue paying their school fees in full. For any family for whom this is not possible, please just contact me or Ms Lisa Castro in the Finance Office. We will do everything we can to support you. We certainly don't want families to consider leaving this community because of financial difficulty.

We expect that we will have quite a number of students physically with us next week and in the weeks to come. To assist us with a bit of planning for next week in particular, if your child/ren will be here at Shalom, I would ask you to complete, as best you can, the embedded Google Form.

[Student Attendance Form - Term 2 \(Weeks 1 to 5\)](#)

This does not cast in stone any decision a family might make to have their child attend in person or on-line. I am very conscious that there will be a degree of fluidity in the coming weeks. If your child/ren is unwell at all, please don't send them to school and use the absentee email address to advise if they can't participate in on-line learning. If they are going to attend, please use the Google Form or email to inform us of that.

For those attending, normal school uniform will be the uniform of the day. Each day will include a session of Physical activity from 2pm-3pm. Sports uniform is to be worn for this session and students will be able to leave the College in Sports uniform.

We will do everything we possibly can to ensure that your child is well taught in the coming weeks either in person or on-line. Please don't hesitate to contact me or your child's House Coordinator if you have any queries.

Yours sincerely,

Dan McMahan

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