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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

The Olympics are a lovely distraction from the COVID event aren't they, as we celebrate the achievements of very talented athletes from around the world.

It's a tribute to the organisers that this extravaganza has been able to be held at all, given the spread of the virus. There is a dedication from the leaders and supporters that is admirable.

In our local region, every effort is being made to both contain the spread of the virus and work to manage daily routines as best as possible, and we all are committed to the best outcomes I'm sure.

At the College, the Blended Learning Online will continue across the next 4 weeks in line with the plans of the NSW Government and Health Department, and our thanks are due to both students and teachers for continuing to make every effort towards the success of these programs. Where there are issues or difficulties or opportunities for change or explanation, please continue to contact the class teacher in the first instance or the Year or Stage Coordinator to assist.

Both Mr Butler in Senior School and Mr Sale in Junior School will bring a video update to families on Monday regarding phase 2 of remote learning now that we are in lockdown for the additional 4 weeks, until August 29 at this stage.

Year 12 students are having to contend with a moving schedule for their HSC commitments, and a special webinar session will be held with students and parents on Tuesday evening to talk about the next few weeks ahead of the HSC exams scheduled for October. No doubt there will be lots of questions raised and we are looking forward to that time. They are a great group of students in

their final year of school, and we all want the best outcomes for them ahead of a bright future beyond their College years.

Thanks for your involvement in the Green and Gold activities on Friday. We have lots of colourful photos to share in this edition and on our Facebook page. Let's continue to find new ways to engage as a College community over the next month.

Thank you also for your ongoing support. Please bring your concerns to us regarding any issue related to COVID or your family's wellbeing at this time. The College Council meets again early next week and I will bring you an update following that meeting.

'Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has ascended into heaven, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathise with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we have – yet he did not sin. Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need'. Hebrews 4:14-16

Best regards

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