

20 July 2020

Dear Families and Friends

As you would be aware on Sunday 19 July the Premier, Daniel Andrews, announced an extension of the State of Emergency to the 16 August and that people living in metropolitan Melbourne and Mitchell Shire will now be required to wear a face covering when leaving home.

This restriction will come into force effective from 11.59 pm on Wednesday 22 July, however there is a clear expectation that all those who can, will commence wearing masks or face coverings immediately.

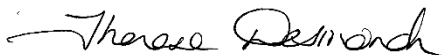
We at OC Connections made the decision earlier this month that all staff would wear personal protective equipment which includes masks at each of our facilities. I am pleased to say that all staff have readily adapted to this change to ensure the health and wellbeing of our participants, staff and the community.

This most recent announcement now makes it mandatory for people to wear face coverings to and from work as well.

As an organisation we will continue to do everything we can to ensure the safety and wellbeing of all participants and all of our staff and we know that is of paramount importance to you also. I would like to take this opportunity to encourage you that if you have any symptoms, no matter how mild, you or your family member do not visit any OC Connections sites, get tested and self-isolate. For information about your nearest testing site you can visit coronavirus.vic.gov.au or call 1800 675 398.

Thank you again for your continued support of participants and the organisation.

Stay safe and well



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