



St Clare's College

26 May 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

COVID-19 Update for Waverley and surrounding areas as of 26 May 2020

A student from Waverley College and a student from Moriah College Queens Park have recently tested positive for COVID-19. The colleges have become temporarily non-operational while a special environmental clean is carried out. All staff and students have gone home whilst NSW Public Health undertake the process of close contact tracing and identify any other members of the community that should self-isolate as a precaution.

Close contact tracing is only if you have had face-to-face contact with a confirmed case for 15 minutes or more, or you've shared an enclosed space with them for more than two hours.

NSW Health advises surrounding schools and workplaces:

- Do not need to do anything, unless otherwise informed by them
- Continue usual onsite operations within the current COVID-19 risk management processes
- Once close contact tracing is complete, all identified close contacts are advised in confidence by NSW Health
- Only persons identified as close contacts, need to remain in precautionary self-isolation for the 14 day incubation period and will "more than likely" undergo testing, particularly if they become COVID symptomatic
- The rest of the affected COVID-19 school or workplace can resume activities

Maintaining good hygiene standards is an important way to reduce the risk of acquiring and spreading respiratory infections. We ask parents and carers to promote good hygiene including handwashing with soap as hand washing is the single most effective way to reduce the spread of germs that cause respiratory disease.

For more information, visit [NSW Health](https://www.nsw.gov.au/health).

Yours sincerely,

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