



Dear parents and carers,

I'm writing to let you know that people with COVID-19 were on our Year 7 Camp or on Campus while infectious.

Date positive case/s reported: 16/03/2022

Impacted class/es or year level/s	Any extracurricular activities, including school bus transport
Years 7 & 8	
Year 7A, Year 7B, Year 7F, Year 7G Year 8C, Year 8F, Year 8I	Students tested positive today.

### What you need to know

If your child is not experiencing COVID-19 symptoms, they can continue to attend school, but you should monitor for symptoms.

Students who show symptoms of COVID-19 cannot attend school and should get tested immediately and isolate until they receive a negative result.

Students should continue with twice-a-week rapid antigen testing on school days.

Students who have recovered from COVID-19 do not need to participate in surveillance testing for 30 days after their isolation period has ended.

For information on symptoms visit: <https://www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/symptoms-and-risks>.

For more information on how to get tested visit: <https://www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/taking-test-covid-19>.

**If your child returns a positive result, your child has COVID-19. You must:**

- quarantine your child for seven days
- advise the school about the positive result
- Your child must stay home until their symptoms have resolved and they are well
- Everyone in your household is a close contact and must isolate for 7 days.

### Reporting your child's positive test

If your child was at school when they were infectious you need to report the positive case through the [Student COVID-19 Test Portal](#) or you can notify the school in writing or by phone.

You must also report your child's positive test to the Department of Health via the [COVID-19 Positive Rapid Antigen Test Self-Reporting Form](#) or call centre on 1800 675 398.

### Further information for languages other than English

- For school information in languages other than English, call TIS National on **131 450**.



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- For translated written information about COVID-19, please visit: [Translated information about COVID-19 | Coronavirus Victoria](#).
- Please ask them to call the DET COVID-19 hotline on **1800 338 663** and they will help interpret.
- For health advice in languages other than English, visit [www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/translated-information-about-coronavirus-covid-19](http://www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/translated-information-about-coronavirus-covid-19)

#### Financial support available to people affected by COVID-19:

For more information, visit:

[Financial and other support for COVID-19 | Coronavirus Victoria](#)

[If you need a payment during coronavirus \(COVID-19\) - Getting help during coronavirus \(COVID-19\) - Services Australia](#)

#### Accessing School Work when absent

If your student is feeling well enough, they can access their school work through the News section on each class page on MyPenola.

#### General advice and support

Advice and further resources about what to do if you test positive to COVID-19, or you have been told you are a contact, are at: [Your COVID Checklist | Coronavirus Victoria](#), or call the 24/7 Coronavirus hotline on: 1800 675 398

You can also contact the school:

Phone: 03 93012777

Email: [principal@penola.vic.edu.au](mailto:principal@penola.vic.edu.au)

Yours sincerely,

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