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Dear Parents / Carers,

As you will all be very aware, the Coronavirus is continuing to have an impact upon the wider community. The College continues to carefully watch the Department of Health updates to ensure we are following its guidelines to protect the health of all community members. As a community, it is important that we are alert to these matters but certainly not alarmed. Please be aware of the following updates with regards to our Dance and Drama Academy protocols and procedures:

#### **Department of Health Update**

The Australian Government recently announced that coronavirus travel restrictions have been extended as follows:

- **High risk countries:** Mainland China, Iran, Italy, South Korea
- **Moderate risk countries:** Cambodia, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Japan, Singapore and Thailand

The protocols in place for all families travelling overseas at this time are:

- **If you have been in or transited through one of the high risk countries:**
  - Self-quarantine for 14 days from date of departure from a high risk country.
  - If you begin to feel unwell and develop a fever or shortness of breath, cough or respiratory illness during your period of self-quarantine, you should seek immediate medical attention. Please call ahead to your GP or emergency department and mention your travel history before you arrive.
  - If you experience any other symptom during your period of self-quarantine, you should also seek immediate medical attention. Again, please call ahead to your GP or emergency department and mention your travel history before you arrive.
- **If you have been in close contact with someone who already has novel coronavirus:**
  - You need to self-quarantine for 14 days from the last date of contact with the confirmed case.
  - If you begin to feel unwell and develop a fever or shortness of breath, cough or respiratory illness during your period of self-quarantine, you should seek immediate medical attention. Please call ahead to your GP or emergency department and mention you've been in contact with someone with novel coronavirus infection before you arrive.

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- If you experience any other symptoms or illness, perhaps due to chronic disease, during your period of self-quarantine you should also seek immediate medical attention. Call ahead to your GP or emergency department and mention you've been in contact with someone with novel coronavirus infection before you arrive.
- **For further health advice please visit the Department of Health [website](#).**

**In addition to this advice, please:**

- Use alcohol-based hand sanitiser if soap is unavailable
- Cover coughs and sneezes with a tissue
- If your child is unwell and you are at all concerned, please keep them home and seek medical advice.

**TERM 1 / EASTER HOLIDAYS**

- We would ask all families travelling overseas to please communicate with us as to which countries you are visiting or passing through.
- Please also communicate with us regarding the health of your family upon return.
- Please email [dance@genesis.qld.edu.au](mailto:dance@genesis.qld.edu.au) with this information.

Thank you for your support with this most important matter.

Kind regards,

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