

5 March 2025

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

This morning, the Premier and the Department of Education announced that schools will be closed on **Thursday 6 March and Friday 7 March**. This decision has been made to ensure the safety of our students, staff, and families. We will continue to monitor the situation closely and provide updates on when and how the College will resume.

Please be assured that our students' and staff's wellbeing and safety remain our highest priority.

Student absences

Absences due to emergencies and natural disasters as directed by the government do not need to be recorded by the College.

Additional Resources and College Communication

We encourage families to access further communication and updates via the link below.

Important Information - Lourdes Hill College | See what we see

You can also access copies of all the communications sent from the Principal via this link.

Learning advice with Government closure

During this time, teacher-guided online student activities may not be possible due to unpredictable internet and power disruptions caused by the cyclone.

However, students who have access and wish to continue their learning can still use their subject Teams and OneNote. As we move toward next week, the College will announce whether students will return to campus or transition to LHC@Home online learning. All students have been briefed on the LHC@Home instructions.

Click HERE for Online Learning information and resources.

My thoughts and prayers are with our wider community during this unprecedented time. As always, we find strength in one another, guided by our Benedictine values of compassion and community. May we continue to uplift and care for each other.

With kindness, peace and hope,

Mrs Kay

Mrs Kay Gleeson Principal Lourdes Hill College