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Dear SCBC Families,

Warm greetings from the College.

As per the recent media statement from WA Health, our College has received free Rapid Antigen Tests (RATs) for distribution to students.

These free RATs will support our students to continue attending school for face-to-face learning, and consequently help minimise disruption. You will be able to test your child at home if they are feeling unwell. You can also use these RATs if your child is a household close contact.

The Association of Independent Schools of Western Australia (AISWA) have allocated a box of 20 tests per student.

The distribution will proceed as follows:

- Parents of Primary students in Kindergarten to Year 6 will be required to collect their allocation in person from the classroom teacher starting tomorrow (Tuesday, 17th May).
- Secondary students in Years 7 – 12 will be given RATs in Form Class to take home by Friday (23rd May).

If you find that your child tests positive please click the [COVID Initial Contact & Absentee Form](#) to notify the appropriate staff of the positive result.

As per the new eased public health measures, a child who is a **household close contact**, is symptom free and tests negative on a daily Rapid Antigen Test (RAT) can attend school. In doing this, Secondary students who are household close contacts must wear a mask when attending school. We also request parents complete the [SCBC Close Contact Register](#) to indicate the dates their child would be deemed a close contact.

NB: Recognising higher case numbers at present, staff and students may choose to wear masks at the College, if personally preferred. It is not a requirement, simply a matter of personal choice.

On behalf of the College community, thanks again for your ongoing support.

Des Mitchell
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