# message to parents and carers

Information on how to access the programs and resources needed for learning from home.

Dear parents and carers,

As you are aware, the coronavirus (COVID-19) situation continues to evolve.

The Victorian Government has advised that all schools will move to remote learning when students return for Term 2 on Wednesday 15 April.

**This means that all students who can learn at home must learn from home**. This is a very clear directive by the Victorian Government **based on the advice of the Chief Health Officer (Chief Health Officer).**

All students will be learning from home, except for days when they are not able to be supervised at home and no other arrangements can be made.

**FOR SCHOOLS WITH SENIOR SECONDARY STUDENTS:** Approval has also been given for schools to have small groups of VCE and VCAL students on-site to complete their learning requirements if this is necessary and cannot be undertaken at home. Further information about this will be provided by your school if these arrangements are necessary. All appropriate physical distancing and hygiene measures will be put in place.

This step is being taken to slow the spread of the virus and ensure the health and safety of all Victorians. We understand it may cause you and your family concern and stress.

Most teachers will also be working from home. Teachers have been working hard to put learning plans in place to ensure continuity of learning and to support the wellbeing of all students.

For students who do not have access to digital technologies at home, laptops and tablets will be made available on loan free-of-charge.

This will be a challenging time for everyone. It’s important that we work very closely together to provide the best possible support for students.

The ‘[Learning from Home’](https://www.education.vic.gov.au/parents/learning/Pages/home-learning.aspx) factsheet provides information about how you can support your child during this transition.

The Department of Education and Training’s (Department of Education and Training’s (DET)) Learning from Home website also provides information and resources (in English) for parents and carers: <https://www.education.vic.gov.au/parents/learning/Pages/home-learning.aspx>

Information about coronavirus (COVID-19) and schools on the DET website is updated regularly as the situation evolves: <https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/department/Pages/coronavirus.aspx>

Thank you for your support during this time.