

2 February 2021



## Our Lady of Mercy College

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As you are aware, the Year 12 Ball is scheduled to take place this coming Saturday, 6 February 2021 at the Mercure Sanctuary Golf Club Resort.

After consultation with both Year 12 students and the Events Planner at the Mercure Sanctuary Golf Club Resort, we have made the decision to postpone the Ball.

The current lockdown situation was unexpected and has led to much uncertainty about what the next few weeks will bring. Even if the Premier decides to lift the lockdown on Friday at 6.00pm, we cannot be sure if restrictions regarding the gathering of large groups of people will enable us to hold a function for the number of students and staff attending the Ball.

This timely postponement of the Ball also ensures that the College will not incur any unnecessary costs for rescheduling at short notice should the lockdown remain in place.

Students expressed their concerns about the limited opportunities to prepare for this function and difficulties which may present. Rescheduling the event, will enable individuals to comfortably plan for the necessary preparations in the future.

Early next week, in consultation with both students and venue staff, we will begin the process of considering alternative dates for the Ball, Information regarding the new date will be sent to parents as soon as possible.

Thank you for your understanding with regards to this matter. We appreciate that this may be a disappointing outcome for you and your child but feel that this is the best solution to ensure that the Ball is a wonderful experience for all involved.

Regards,

**Rob Crothers**  
Principal

**Karyn Cronin**  
Head of Year 12