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STATEMENT **6 January 2022**

Statement to be attributed to Cairns Catholic Education Services Acting Executive Director Ian Davis:

“This year will be our third dealing with the COVID challenge and I anticipate that we will continue to meet these challenges head on, as we have for the previous two years. We will continue to work together, keeping the wellbeing and learning of all in our community as our focus.”

“We continue to closely monitor each and every directive from Queensland Health and other relevant authorities as the situation develops. Our schools are well prepared for periods of remote learning and potential closures, and have been for some time. We are focused on ensuring continuity of learning for all students.”

“We are aware that requirements in schools may shift as case numbers increase. At this stage, we have not been advised of plans to delay the return to classrooms at the start of Term 1. However, our school principals and leaders are prepared to move quickly to implement future directives from the state government if required.”

“Our school communities will be kept informed and up to date as we become aware of any changes to procedure. This includes future updates about testing requirements, and vaccination of primary students.”

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