



Newsletter

COVID-19

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Dear Parents

We hope that Term 2 and our distance learning programme has been a success for you so far. We know there may have been one or two challenges for you to deal with but we have been getting some great feedback about the learning that is happening and thank you for all your support.

Yesterday the Government decided that we will move into Alert Level 3 on 28 April, with schools reopening for some students on Wednesday 29 April.

As we prepare to reopen school, the key message for you from the Government is that if you can, you should keep your child at home. **You should only send your child to school if you need to.** If your child has a health condition that means they are at a greater risk of a severe illness or they have any symptoms of ill health you **must** keep them at home.

Children attending school will be in small groups/bubbles, supervised by a staff member, and will be completing the same home learning as their classmates at home. This will ensure all students continue to have the same experiences as they move through this period.

Depending on numbers, it is most likely that the groups/bubbles will be multi-level. They will not be able to mix with other groups/bubbles.

Some staff will continue to work offsite.

The Ministry of Education has advised that they are working closely with health authorities to develop clear guidance that will support schools to safely re-open their premises to students and staff. This will help us work through the public health requirements that we all need to meet.

In order to ensure the safety of those children and our staff who do come to school, we will be operating with strict enforcement of health and safety measures.

We will contact you with a further email requiring confirmation if you need your child to attend school in person whilst in Alert Level 3.

Kind regards

Principal