

COVID19 UPDATE - LEVEL 4

Wednesday 18 August 2021

Morena Whānau,

Day one of our Level 4 lockdown is now underway.

Let me start by expressing our thanks and kind thoughts to all our whānau who are providing essential services over the coming days. We know the sacrifice and commitment that you make and we acknowledge this commitment.

In regards to the national message and response, we will not repeat messaging or provide any form of national response advice. Visit the government official website <https://covid19.govt.nz/> for more information. All we would say is to please avoid relying on social media for information. The 1pm briefings along with the official websites will ensure that you have all the information you need.

We will provide a daily update to you via our electronic communication forms each day. Classroom teachers will also make contact with you in regards to your child's learning.

STUDENT ONLINE LEARNING

At this stage we are working on a 3 day lockdown and unless advised otherwise will return to school on Monday 23 August 2021. We know some of you will have limitations on your ability to access online learning. Work provided by teachers is optional and as whānau you can decide what you want to do. If your preference is to manage things as a family with your own planned activities, then that is fine. If we extend beyond three days we will look at providing more non-digital support packs. Your class teacher is your first port of call. We have also asked classroom teachers to touch base with you all a couple of times. For most this will be via email but if this is not possible do not be surprised if you get a phone call. This is part of our support plan for all our learners.

COVID RESPONSE LEVELS

The attached table, already shared to you, contains an update on the Lunch in Schools programme under each alert level. The following is a general guide. More specific responses are on the table.

PREPARING FOR RETURN TO SCHOOL LEVEL 3

Under Level 3 we are open and providing learning on site for students of essential workers only. The preferred means of learning will continue to be online. Classroom teachers will not be on site and will operate remotely. Students of essential workers will be catered for onsite by members of our team.

PREPARING TO RETURN TO SCHOOL LEVEL 2

All students are back at school with restrictions on gatherings as well as social gathering restrictions, where practical.

PREPARING TO RETURN TO SCHOOL LEVEL 1

Business back to usual with continued education around good hygiene and health practices.

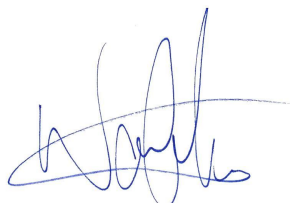
OPEN EVENING TOURS

We will be placing these on hold for now. Our focus next week will be on settling students back into learning, assuming a return to school. We will make contact with all of our Year 6 students and advise them of this as well.

Ngā mihi kia koutou,

Wayne Jenkins

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ROSS INTERMEDIATE COVID-19 RESPONSE PLAN

	LEVEL 1	LEVEL 2	LEVEL 3	LEVEL 4
Office Protocols	Business as usual.	Social distancing in the office is controlled. All parents MUST enter the school via the office, no exceptions.	Office is closed to the public and open for parent communications with strong physical distancing.	SCHOOLS ARE CLOSED WITH ONLINE LEARNING SUPPORTED
Classroom Protocols	Business as usual. Hand sanitise as appropriate. Wash hands before eating.	Hand wash or sanitise before eating and when entering a new space. Regular cleaning of desks required. Class trips are able to proceed, assuming less than 100 people.	Learning on site is available for children of essential workers. Additional cleaning schoolwide	
Lunch in Schools	Normal hygiene protocols	Lunches continue as normal. Higher hygiene regime for staff and students.	Lunch will be available for students attending school.	
Playground Protocols	Social distancing encouraged where possible. Student to Student contact is permitted.	Social distancing enforced as practical. Students should not be making contact with each other in a physical way ie. hugging, team tag etc... Drinking fountains are turned off.	Students will be seperated in the playground. Equipment closed.	
Other School Protocols		No school or house assemblies. Other school programmes continue as usual. Hand wash or sanitise when entering a new space. Access to Ross is restricted to authorised persons only. Students that are not well are to remain home.	Social distancing at all times. School Gates to be fully closed and controlled by office staff for entry and exit.	
Staff Protocols	Continue to promote best practice and reinforce messaging for students.	Staff with concerns about work should talk to Wayne. Support students and ensure protocols are followed.	Classroom Teachers will be managing online learning from home. Health compromised staff MUST remain at home.	
Use of Masks	Not required.	This will be determined from the advice given at the time.		
Outside Groups	Use of Government Covid App encouraged.	Use of Government Covid App encouraged. Contact tracing sheets to be submitted to school.	CLOSED	

IMPORTANT: These guidelines are subject to change based on government advice at the time.