

21 April 2020



Dear Parents and Caregivers,

On Wednesday 29th April, we will move into COVID-19 Level 3 and some students will be able to come back to return to school. **Home is still the safest place for your child to be during Level 3.** This option is only for our students **who will not have adult supervision at home once some parents return to workplaces.** Some of you may have extended your bubble so that your children can remain in the safety of their homes but, if they do need to come to school we need to make arrangements. In order for us to enable this to happen safely for our students and staff, we need to know exact numbers of who is coming.

A reminder from our Prime Minister, **“Work and learn from home if you can. If you can keep children at home, you should keep your children at home.”** We need to still be vigilant in Level 3.

Our school will be open to a limited number of students but, in a very restricted way.

- Students will be kept in bubbles of 10 and be limited in what they can access while at school. They may not be grouped with their friends or necessarily their teacher.
- Bubbles will be restricted to rooms/spaces and not be able to mix with other bubbles.
- Your child will need to remain in the designated spaces allocated within the room/space - students will not be able to roam in the room and be expected to keep a 1 m distance inside, and 2 m distance in the playground.
- No use of school playground equipment e.g. adventure playground, sandpit...
- No use of shared sports equipment e.g. balls, ropes, stationery, anything that may be handled by more than one person
- Students will need to bring their own stationery and this cannot be shared.

The teaching programme offered will be the same as it is now; a distance learning programme. Students coming to school will be doing the same activities as they would have at home. **At home, they will have more liberty than at school.** The school day may have reduced hours.

In order to reduce the risk to students and staff, we do need to know if you will be sending your child to school on Wednesday 29th now. Student numbers will define everything else we put into place. If you want your child to come to school, you need to let us know immediately.

1. **Please contact your child's Kaitiaki teacher to say you have received this notification.**
2. **Let them know if you do not intend to send your child back to school at all during Covid-19 Level 3.**
3. **Let them know if your child is coming back to school on Wednesday 29th.**

Please respond immediately to your child's Kaitiaki teacher.

If your child is returning to school, you will be sent further detailed information about procedures to follow in order for this to happen safely.

Keep well and God bless

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