St Joseph's School Pukekohe - School Community Bubble 'Play it Safe' Recovery - Procedure Planning for Alert Level 2



Information for Parents and Caregivers:

What St Joseph's School looks like at Alert Level 2. Please note that these procedures have been developed with the safety of staff and students in mind. Under Alert Level 2 we will continue to follow the guidelines set out in the St Joseph's School Pandemic Plan but will continue to manage the areas identified below. We have chosen to control the controllable rather than return all aspects of school back to normal. For this reason we have chosen to continue to limit all non-essential curriculum activity both in and outside of school. While I know many of you will be anxious at this time, we will ensure that school is the safest possible place for your children to be outside of your family bubbles. At all times we will be following the most up to date advice from the Ministry of Education and Ministry of Health.

Classrooms	At Pick up and Drop Off	Physical Distancing
Under Alert Level 2 hand sanitiser will be provided in every classroom. Hand sanitiser stations will be set up at the designated entry/exit point of each classroom and students and staff will use this as they enter or exit a room.	Under Alert Level 2 parents and caregivers will be discouraged from coming on site unless absolutely necessary. We wish to encourage a drop-off and pick-up only approach to restrict the number of 'adults on-site'. Where possible there should be one person designated for drop-off and pick-up.	There is no bubble concept at Alert Level 2 so there are no restrictions on groups of students mixing with others on-site, however, we are asking Physical Distancing – Physical distancing is a good precaution to prevent the spread of disease.
Liquid hand soap and paper towels are provided in each room. Additional disinfectant/cloth will be available in classrooms for children and teachers to sanitise spaces throughout the school day as required. Many students have their own stationery, supplies and devices and will be encouraged not to share this.	Please be respectful of this as it is the 'most likely' chance of Covid-19 entering the school grounds. Students will not be allowed to enter the school grounds before 8:15am. If you do wish or need to come on-site please email or phone the school office. If this cannot be done due to unforeseen circumstances please register as a visitor (contact tracing).	Students and staff should be far enough away from each other so that they are not breathing on or touching each other, coupled with good hygiene practices and regular cleaning of commonly touched surfaces. There does not need to be a specific measurement but where practicable 1 metre should be used as a guide, particularly between adults.
Staffroom Bubble	In the Playground	Managing Attendance
Staff are expected to maintain a minimum of 1m physical distance at all times including in the staffroom, where practicable. Cups, spoons etc. to be personally handled into the dishwasher. Soap and sanitiser will be provided in the staffroom. Surfaces/taps/handles are to be wiped down regularly.	Physical education classes and break time activities can include access to sports equipment including playgrounds but hygiene practice should be observed before and after playing with equipment. There will also be regular cleaning of shared equipment such as balls, sticks etc. Drinking fountains will remain turned off. Students will need a named drink bottle at school. These can be refilled at school. Students are not to enter other classrooms unless directed to.	Students and staff will not attend if they are unwell. Students and staff who become unwell during the school day will be sent home. In schools, our contact tracing is a combination of attendance register and visitor register. These provide good information to health authorities if they need to contact people that might be considered a close contact of a confirmed case and determine whether they will need to self-isolate. This includes recording who the adults on-site are in close contact with as well as recording any visitors to the site, including parents and caregivers.
Cleaning and Hygiene	Movement In and Out of School	Wellbeing
In an Alert Level 2 we will continue to model good hygiene practices (coughing into your elbow, handwashing and drying) and regular cleaning of commonly touched surfaces e.g surfaces and door handles The toilet blocks will be cleaned at least once during the day. Cleaners will complete daily cleans in line with the Ministry of Health guidelines.	 We have chosen to continue to limit all non-essential curriculum activity both in and outside of school. No School Assemblies for the remainder of Term 2. No school/Friday Masses until further notice. Year 7 and 8 will not travel to Technology for the remainder of Term 2. No after-school Robotics Club for the remainder of Term 2. Bikes/scooters can only be handled by the owner. Afterschool Care will be able to operate under Alert Level 2. 	When students return to school in Alert Level 2 their wellbeing will be our number one priority before any academic learning and assessment take place. A school-wide Mindfulness programme will be implemented. Parents may contact their child's teacher via email.