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Alert Level 2 Update

Kia ora koutou

Following the announcement from the Prime Minister that we will move to Alert Level 2 we have outlined below what that means at St Joseph's School.

Just a reminder that while staff and students are onsite at Alert Level 2, we must adhere to key health measures including:

- asking all parents to **drop and go and pick up** from outside the school gate. If needing to come onsite, to please go to the office to report in. If you have New entrant students, teachers will meet you at the gate. If students are older and can walk to meet you that helps the congestion at the school gate.
- good hand hygiene and cough and sneeze etiquette
- staying away if sick
- keeping the appropriate physical distance from others
- daily cleaning and disinfecting of our high touch surfaces
- displaying QR code posters at our entrances and encouraging all visitors and anyone who comes onsite to download the NZ COVID Tracer App and use it if they come onsite
- keeping a visitor register for anyone who cannot use the app and for other visitors who come onsite for a period of time
- decisions will be made about events depending on how long we are at Alert Level 2. We know all these things will help to keep our community as safe as possible. Because of these measures, your child does not need to wear a face covering while at school. We will of course support them should they choose to do so.
- EOTC events this week will go ahead with careful planning. The biggest thing is that if you or your child are participating but are unwell you stay at home.
- School transport does not require students to wear masks. This includes buses hired for school trips and the technology bus. If however students over 12 years of age travel on public buses to school masks are mandatory.
- Assembly this week will be videoed and shared with the community. We are unable to have parents at assembly.

For those of you who might be finding things more difficult than usual, a reminder that there is a large range of support available for businesses and the community. We encourage you to go to [covid19.govt.nz](https://www.covid19.govt.nz) for more information, or get in touch and we will help you to find the information and support you need.

As I've said before, we can do this if we work together and be kind.

Mā te Atua koutou katoa e tiaki, e manaaki.

May God protect and care for you all.

Carmel Brosnahan-Pye
PRINCIPAL

New Zealand has moved Alert Levels

Cases of COVID-19 have been identified in the Auckland community. Auckland is at Alert Level 3. The rest of the country is at Alert Level 2. Travel in and out of Auckland is restricted. These restrictions will remain in place for 7 days.

People in Auckland:

- Stay at home, within your bubble.
- If you are sick or have symptoms call Healthline on 0800 358 5453 for advice about getting a test.
- Check the [covid19.govt.nz](https://www.covid19.govt.nz) website for the locations of interest. If you were at one of these locations at the time stated, contact Healthline.
- Businesses can open, but most cannot physically interact with customers.
- Wear a face covering on public transport, and in public if possible.
- If you must leave home, keep a 2-metre distance from others.
- Work from home, unless that is not possible.
- Children should learn from home if possible.
- Use the NZ COVID tracer app to scan QR codes and turn on Bluetooth tracing. This ensures you are alerted if you come in contact with a positive COVID-19 case.

Everyone outside Auckland:

- If you are sick or have symptoms call Healthline on 0800 358 5453 for advice about getting a test.
- Wear a face covering on public transport.
- Limit gatherings to 100 people.
- Use the NZ COVID tracer app to scan QR codes and turn on Bluetooth tracing. This ensures you are alerted if you come in contact with a positive COVID-19 case.
- Check the [covid19.govt.nz](https://www.covid19.govt.nz) website for the locations of interest. If you were at one of these locations at the time stated, contact Healthline.

*We've done this before,
we can do it again.*

Find out more about the Alert Levels at [Covid19.govt.nz](https://www.covid19.govt.nz)



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