

Kia Ora Koutou, Warm Pasifika Greetings,

PREPARING FOR A POSITIVE COVID CASE

As we enter week 3 of the Term, we take the health, safety and welfare of all of our students, staff and school community very seriously. Recently the school and our Parish have both experienced positive covid cases. As you know, we have ensured that prompt communication and swift action to minimising risk is always at the forefront. However, we expect that in the near future, even with our thorough hygiene protocols, we will be alerted to possible positive COVID-19 cases in our school community.

Please read the following information carefully.

If your child has attended school in one of our learning spaces with a confirmed positive COVID-19 case, they will be identified as a **close contact**. Please be assured we will take immediate action to notify you and request you collect your child from school.

We will alert you via

- your email address on our database
- our School Stream alert system. You will receive this alert: *We have a confirmed COVID case. Your child has been identified as a close contact. Please collect your child from school immediately.*

On your arrival, please identify yourself to the staff member stationed at the pick up zone (front of school). The staff member will then radio your child's name to a Senior Leader who will release your child to meet you.

If you are unable to collect your child during the school day, your child will be supervised in the learning space area until 2:45pm.

Your child will need to get tested immediately and isolate. Household members do not need to isolate unless your child tests positive. Further Ministry of Health guidance will be provided in the email from us.

Please ensure you have joined our School Stream App to receive timely updates. Click [here](#) for instructions.

Meet the Teacher Evening

Our first Parent engagement evening "Meet the Teacher" for the term will now be on:

- Tuesday 22nd February.
- School will close at 1pm.
- Interviews will be **online only** and will start from 2:00pm and conclude at 7:30pm. A link will be shared with you prior to the day.
- Please select a time that will be sent to you on our school stream app. A confirmation email will be sent by your child's teacher.

Pick Up and Drop offs

A reminder to please refrain from speeding in the carpark area when dropping off and picking up students. It is also helpful if you are first to arrive to the school site when picking up your child that you please drive to the furthest end to wait so that cars can come in and park behind you. Please refrain from parking in the allocated carparks as this means that your child has to cross over while cars are still moving. Your support is greatly appreciated.

School Uniform, Stationery & Attendance Dues

A reminder that this is the last week "grace period" to get black roman sandals. A note will need to be provided to the teacher from next week. A school Hat is also required for your child to be able to play at break times. No Hat means No Play. Those with no Hat will sit in an allocated shaded area.

Stationery is now needed to support your child. These can be purchased at the school office. Please contact the office to make the necessary arrangements.

As part of being in a Catholic School, Attendance dues are required every term. Your support to paying these is important. Please see Philippa Bell - Office Administrator or myself, if you require any clarification.

Key Dates

Liturgies & Masses

Wednesday 2nd March - Ash Wednesday Liturgy @ 10am

Thursday 17th March - Feast of St Patrick Liturgy @ 11am

Thursday 14th April - Holy Thursday - Easter Triduum Liturgy @ 11am

Eastern Zone Sport

Wednesday 16th March - Cricket

Wednesday 23rd March - Cricket Save Day

Wednesday 30th March - Softball

Wednesday 6th April - Softball Save Day

Kind regards



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