



3 March 2022

## Community Update: Omicron Response Plan

Kia ora e te whānau

With the increasing impact of COVID on our school community we are no longer able to sustain running the school safely. For this reason we will move, for the next two weeks (and review half way through the second week) to rostering our juniors and seniors home in the following way

Week	Date	Learning at Home (Yr)	Learning at School (Yr)
Week 5	Friday, 3 March	11	9, 10, 12, 13
Week 6	Monday, 7 March	9,10	11, 12, 13
	Tuesday, 8 March	11, 12, 13	9, 10
	Wednesday, 9 March	9,10	11, 12, 13
	Thursday, 10 March	11, 12, 13	9, 10
	Friday, 11 March	9,10	11, 12, 13
Week 7	Monday, 14 March	11, 12, 13	9, 10
	Tuesday, 15 March	9,10	11, 12, 13
	Wednesday, 16 March	11, 12, 13	9, 10
	Thursday, 17 March	9,10	11, 12, 13
	Friday, 18 March	11, 12, 13	9, 10

### Why have we chosen this model?

We have discussed different models and options that will allow us to run the school safely. We have decided on this alternating day model because it will optimise ongoing connection to school and engagement in learning. Students will come to school the next day and be able to ask questions and teachers will be able to gauge regularly where students are at, provide encouragement, and fill learning gaps. The alternative option of having students work from home for consecutive days could lead to repeated disconnection from school and further learning disruption.

### What will students be expected to do when learning from home?

When your student is rostered to learn from home they are expected to follow their school timetable for the day, access their Google Classroom for each subject and complete the work set for the period. When your student comes back to school, teachers will follow up on the work set.

**What if I need my junior student to come to school on the days they are rostered at home?**

If your student is under 14yo and there is no-one at home to supervise them they are able to come to school to be supervised doing their on-line learning. Please let us know if this applies to your student by [completing this form](#).

**Other Information****SchoolApp**

A reminder again that we are encouraging all whānau to download the SchoolApp instant messaging tool. Using SchoolApp we are able to send information alerts to specific users or the whole school instantly. It is immediate and doesn't rely on users to be on social media or checking their emails. You can download SchoolApp from your Google Play store or Apple store.

**Face masks**

It is a government requirement that all school staff and students in Years 4 to 13 must wear face masks indoors at school. We would ask whanau to please ensure that your students have masks to wear at school, including at least one spare in case of breakage.

**School Photos**

The school photos, scheduled for Friday, 11 March have been postponed to Monday, 2 May (first day of Term 2).

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Ngā mihi



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