



Covid 19 Latest Update

Government announcement – moving to Alert Level 3 for 48 hours and then Level 4

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Whanau

The Prime Minister today announced we are moving to Level 3 for the next 48 hours and then from Thursday 26 March we move to Level 4 in the COVID-19 Alert Level structure for a further period of 4 weeks where people are instructed to stay at home.

Late this evening we received the following information from the Ministry of Education.

For Tuesday and Wednesday, school will be open for the children of essential workers only (doctors, nurses, ambulance drivers and the police)

All other children are to be at home.

Our teachers will come to work tomorrow to teach the children of essential workers and to organise the roll-out of our home learning programmes. We will continue to support good hygiene practices with these students and also undertake physical distancing.

Our teachers will be contacting you over the next day or two via Seesaw, regarding online home learning programmes, with resources and ideas etc to help you to support your children with their learning over the next four weeks.

'Be kind, keep safe and look after each other' (Prime Minister Jacinda Ardern)

Elizabeth Crowley
Principal

Below is a description of Alert levels 3 and 4.

Alert level 3 - restrict

There's a heightened risk the disease is not contained

RISK ASSESSMENT:

**Community transmission occurring or
Multiple clusters break out**

RANGE OF MEASURES:

Travel in areas with clusters or community transmission limited

Affected educational facilities closed

Mass gatherings cancelled

Public venues closed (ie: libraries, museums, cinemas, food courts, gyms, pools, amusement parks)

Alternative ways of working required and some non-essential businesses should close

Non face-to-face primary care consultations

Non acute (elective) services and procedures in hospitals deferred and healthcare staff reprioritised

Alert level 4 - eliminate

It's likely that the disease is not contained

RISK ASSESSMENT:

Sustained and intensive transmission

Widespread outbreaks

RANGE OF MEASURES:

People instructed to stay at home

Educational facilities closed

Businesses closed except for essential services (ie: supermarkets, pharmacies, clinics and lifeline utilities)

Rationing of supplies and requisitioning of facilities

Travel severely limited

Major reprioritisation of health services
