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COVID UPDATE

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Kia Ora Whanau

This letter is to update you about the current situation with Covid 19 at kura.

To date we have had 33 positive covid cases amongst our 233 students. Many of these students have fully recovered and are now back at school. We also have a number of students isolating at home, due to being household contacts of positive cases.

Currently all of our classroom teachers are well and none have been affected by Covid 19. We have had a few part time and support staff test positive recently, however they are coping well and are isolating and following public health advice.

Please continue to monitor your children and please keep them home if they are unwell.

If they are well, do not have Covid, or are not isolating due to being a household contact, then we'd love to see them at kura.

A reminder to please contact the school, should your child test positive for Covid 19, or if your child is isolating at home due to being a household contact of a positive case.

Public Health information is changing often.

We have noticed that a number of our students are isolating for a lot longer than the 7 days required. A reminder that if students have tested negative and are well, they can return to school after the original/first 7 day isolation period. This is the case even if someone else or others in the home test positive. A negative RAT test is not required to return to school. Please call us and check in if you are unsure.

We do have work packs available for students who are isolating for the short term at home and who are well enough to continue with some school work. These can be collected from our school office.

Symptoms of Covid 19

- A new or worsening cough
- Sneezing and runny nose
- A fever
- Temporary loss of smell or altered sense of taste
- Sore throat
- Shortness of breath.

Less common symptoms include diarrhoea, headache, muscle aches, nausea, vomiting.

We understand that you may be concerned, however we can assure you that we are doing our best to keep our tamariki safe at school and are following the health and safety guidelines recommended by the Ministry of Health.

Kind regards

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Acting Principal