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COVID LEVEL 2 – RESPONSE

Kia ora e te whanau,

By now you should all be aware of what has happened in Auckland overnight. This means the change to Covid Level 2 applying to us all in our community effective from 12pm today (Wednesday).

We will be taking the precautionary actions under Level 2. These are detailed below.

We need to continue to have students coming to kura during this Level 2 time and we will help them prepare for any further changes. We have started working through a process on improving communication which worked well in most cases in the past but there was some room for improvement required. Kaiako will be preparing material to go home in case. We have chrome-book devices that can be distributed. Should this be required, we will outline the details to ensure security is covered and risk minimized.

In the meantime, for those Yr 7 & 8 students attending TKHS for technology on Thursday, there are some clear guidelines & protocols which mirror the expectations of our kura. This is to ensure the safety of all tamariki when visiting for lessons. If whanau do not wish their tamariki to attend, please call the School and discuss with Kaiako. Kaiako at Te Kura Rautau are prepared for this and understand what is needed, regardless of the level status.

The below guidelines are directly from the Ministry of Education today to help whanau understand what actions we all need to take for areas outside of Auckland. Thank you for your understanding during Level 2 as we all work together to keep ourselves safe. After midnight Friday, we will be able to get more information and then make the next steps. We will keep you posted.

All New Zealand excluding Auckland region

Alert Level 2 applies from midday today.

- At Alert Level 2 it is safe for all students, children and staff to attend school and early learning. There will be appropriate precautions in place.
- Children and staff who are at higher risk of severe illness are encouraged to take additional precautions when leaving home.
- Please be alert to illness and ask anyone who is presenting as unwell to go home or ask parents and caregivers to come and pick the child up.

- Messaging about good hand hygiene and cough and sneeze etiquette to be reinforced.
- Soap and water are very appropriate for washing hands, particularly if hand sanitiser stocks are low.
- For schools, children, young people and staff should be far enough away from each other so that they are not breathing on or touching each other, coupled with good hygiene practices and regular cleaning of commonly touched surfaces. There does not need to be a specific measurement but where practicable and reasonable 1 metre can be used as a guide, particularly between adults.
- In early learning there does not need to be a measurable physical distance between children/ tamariki or children/tamariki and staff. However, adults should where practicable use 1 metre as a guide between themselves and other adults.
- Physical distancing of 2 metres is recommended for parents and caregivers, from people they don't know (to align with public health measures outside the school grounds).

Masks

Masks are not required at schools and early learning services at Alert levels 2 and 3.

- Support your community by displaying the QR code posters for the NZ COVID Tracer App.

Please contact the kura if you need further information. We can provide learning material for your tamariki and encourage this to happen should you decide to keep them home. Please advise us so we can make arrangements to meet your needs.

Ngaa mihi nui ki a koutou katoa

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