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Kia ora koutou

It is pleasing to see how New Zealanders are responding to this latest news with Covid-19. It is important that you are up to date with school requirements, I will be sending out more information relating to Level 2 as required.

While most of us are familiar with requirements at Alert Level 2, we will continue to emphasise the importance of:

- *Good hand hygiene and cough and sneeze etiquette*
- *If you or family members in your home are sick, **we will be asking you to keep your child at home until they are well enough to return. If you or your child is unwell and you are unsure we encourage you to phone Healthline 0800 358 5453 or your local GP and get tested especially if a doctor or health professional recommends to do so.***
- *If you have recently visited Auckland or have someone staying with you that has come up from Auckland and you or they are displaying signs and symptoms we ask that you get tested at your local GP before returning to school.*
- *Keeping the appropriate physical distance from others*
- *Cleaning and disinfecting our high touch surfaces daily*
- *We have displayed the QR code posters at our entrances and are encouraging all of our community to download the **NZ COVID Tracer App**. We are asking all parents to pick and drop their child off at the entrance to school, however if you have to come into school because it is **essential** please remember to come to the office to sign-in and/or scan the QR code displayed on the window of the office.*
- *Kiwi Can has been postponed during level 2 as well as all school assemblies, Zumba and other outside activities that may have possibly been coming to school to support student learning.*
- *School Cross Country has also been cancelled due to Level 2 restrictions, we will keep you updated with what Cross Country will look like for Oruaiti shortly.*
- *All students will need to provide their own drink bottle for school. Teachers will be able to refill these from the staffroom as required.*

We know all these things will help to keep our community as safe as possible. Because of these measures being in place, your child does not need to wear a face mask covering while at school.

Anyone who is self-isolating, or who has been advised by health authorities to remain at home while they wait for their COVID-19 test results must stay home.

Public health requirements must be adhered to so that COVID-19 is prevented from spreading within the school community.

Thank you for your continued support for all we are doing to keep our community safe.

Ngā mihi

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(Acting Principal)