



The KPS Weekly

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Tēnā koutou katoa

Welcome to Week Five of Term Two. I'm very much looking forward to seeing our tamariki next week. Our staff have been busy today and we are prepared for their return. We are ready for Alert Level 2.

From our perspective, we know that students may be returning with some anxieties and will be a little unsure about being back at school. Our staff are planning lessons designed to allow them a successful start back.

This newsletter is about returning this Monday and I am asking for your help to ensure we keep everyone safe. It is really important that you read this newsletter and help to prepare tamariki to come back to school.



At Alert Level 2, **it is not business as usual**. We still have to be vigilant so we can get life back to normal as quickly as possible. The following guidelines will be important for you to follow to help keep everyone safe.

The overriding principles for Alert Level 2 are:

- to minimise the risk that someone gets infected in the first place
- to ensure we can identify and contact anyone who has been in close contact with a person, if someone in a school is infected.

Below are our guidelines for Alert Level Two:

Whānau On-site

During Alert Level 2, we ask that whanau only come on site **if it is essential**. During drop-off and pick-up times, please pick your children up from the Iver Trask carpark or from the footpath outside our Rimu Road entrance if possible. Children who usually walk, bike or scooter to school can continue to do so.

All members of the public who come onto the school site will need to be recorded in our contact tracing system. At drop-off and pick up times, a staff member will record the names of adults who need to bring students to classrooms.

At other times, adults need to report straight to the office to sign in. Our Office Administrator will record your details.

Social Distancing - Children

Children will be encouraged to stay apart from each other but we can not guarantee this. In essence, we will be one big bubble.

Social Distancing - Adults

The community will need to continue to practise social distancing especially when dropping off and picking up tamariki.

Sick Children

Sick children will need to stay at home. Whānau will be encouraged to keep siblings of sick children at home also. Children who are sick at school will be taken to the medical room and whānau will be called to come and pick them up.

Hygiene

Students will be expected to wash their hands and sanitise before eating and after using communal equipment, e.g., playgrounds. Children will be discouraged from touching their faces and putting their hands in mouths.

Teachers will go over good hand washing etiquette. All classrooms will have hand sanitiser and soap for students to wash their hands. Classrooms will have disinfectant to wash surfaces as needed.

School Cleaning

Our school commercial cleaners will be cleaning our learning spaces more thoroughly than normal. This includes cleaning all hard surfaces and door handles.

Food and Drink

Students will need to bring their own lunch inside a lunch box. Your child will need to be able to open all food items by themselves.

Students will need to bring their own drink bottle as **fountains will not be available to use**. We will be able to refill drink bottles from classroom taps throughout the day.

Thank you for your support.

**Nga mihi nui,
Brent McDowell
Principal**