

Important Message to Community

Children Requiring to come to Maunu School for Level 3

Kia Ora Parents and Caregivers

It is important that you read each email that comes out carefully and that you respond quickly to any questionnaires or request for information. Failure to meet deadlines may mean you are not able to take up some of the options available.

On Monday 30th August Whangarei we hear what Level we go into. With this in mind we need to gather information very quickly about who will be returning to school under L3 should that be the decision. Please read this information sheet carefully.

When we go into Level 3, the key message for you is that if you can, you should keep your child at home. You should only physically send your child to school if you need to. If your child has a health condition that means they are at a greater risk of a severe illness you must keep them at home. If your child is sick please also ensure you keep them at home.

Moving into Alert Level 3 requires all of us to be very aware of contact rules and social distancing. I would like you to consider that our staff have their own “bubbles” and families to think of, as do any students who need to attend school.

In order to ensure the safety of those children and our staff who do come to school, we will be operating with strict enforcement of health and safety measures.

Under Level 3 schools will be open for those children who need to be at school (children where there is not adequate supervision in the home).

For children who are eligible to attend, school will reopen when the BoT and Principal are satisfied that all conditions have been met, resources planned, and programmes and staffing has been completed, and all has been done to ensure the health and safety of children, staff and families.

A registration form is attached here. Please click on the link [Survey Link](#)

Please only fill this questionnaire in if you need to send your child to school. The deadline for responses is 5pm Monday 30th August.

If you fit the criteria for your child being able to return to school, and wish this to happen, please complete the survey that is attached to this email.

Bubbles have to be created, with children being allocated to designated bubbles.

For the majority of children who will remain at home and be engaged in Home Based Learning, I want to assure you that we will continue to support your child's learning at home. Staff will continue to be in touch to outline the daily programme and contacts.

Be Safe, Be Kind, Be Caring

Nga mihi nui

Paul Shepherd

Principal

IMPORTANT Information for Parents

Children returning to Maunu School under Covid19 Alert Level 3

Once it has been confirmed that your child will be returning, you will be told what Bubble/group your child will be in, including the room number they will be working from. Your child is to go to that room at 8.50am each morning to sign in. They will be released from that room at 2.55pm each day. **Children are not to be dropped at school before 8.50am as we cannot control the mixing of groups prior to that time.** Please do not linger at the school gate and always maintain the 2m distancing required of all outdoor activities under Level 3.

There is no bus service during Level 3. Children will be picked up from the designated pick up zone for their Bubble. The Drop off and Pick up information will be sent out once Bubbles have been confirmed. You must adhere to these guidelines.

There will be staff on site to ensure we have the ratio required, but not all staff will be at school. Staff still have to maintain their contact with all those children who are still engaged in Home Based Learning in their homes.

The school day:

- No child can come to school if they are unwell, especially if they show signs of headaches, sniffles, sore throat or a cough;
- Parents are to remain in their vehicles when dropping off and picking up children.
- The school office is closed. Please make contact by phone.
- If children are late to school then they are to remain in their parent's vehicle while the parent phones the school office. Then an appointed staff member will come and collect them from the car park.
- Your child will be doing the same distance learning as the students who stay at home.
- Your child should bring their device to school if at all possible;
- Students will be in a bubble of no more than 20, based around their house group and will not be able to mix with anyone from another bubble - that includes staff;
- School equipment, including stationary and books, will be severely limited as there is to be as little sharing of materials
- Bubbles/groups will have different break times where possible and will be strictly monitored as to where they play;
- There will be restricted use of equipment at school due to H&S requirements;
- There will be a high level of hygiene practices, as outlined by the Ministry of Health (personal and environmental) so that your child will be as safe as possible at school;
- There will be no food sold at or through the school, so no Friday sausage sizzle, no sushi and no lunch online.
- Your child must bring their own food and drink bottle. The fountains will be closed.
- You will be contacted if your child becomes unwell during the day and they must be removed from the school immediately – so you will need to have an emergency contact;
- If a child presents negative behaviours, you will be contacted to come and pick them up as we will not have the staff to deal with these types of situations.