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Dear Parents/Caregivers,

COVID-19 UPDATE – The Prime Minister has announced that New Zealand (outside of Auckland) has moved to Covid 19 Level 2 from 6am this morning.

Please read below regarding our Level 2 requirements. We do ask that parents stay out of the grounds. If entering the grounds adults must use the track and trace function on the School App. (Check in on the app when arriving and check out when leaving).

At school we will continue to emphasise the importance of:

- Good hand hygiene, and cough and sneeze etiquette.
- Staying away / going home if sick.
- Keeping the appropriate physical distance from others.
- Cleaning and disinfecting our high touch surfaces.
- Sanitising hands when entering learning spaces, before meals, after sneezing, coughing, etc.
- The Ministry of Education/Health has sent information that the wearing of face masks for staff and children is not necessary at school. Children and staff who do wish to wear masks will be supported.

Please make sure parents continue to:

- Not send unwell children to school.
- Ensure all children have a named drink bottle containing water.
- Organise for drop offs and pick-ups to happen outside the school entrances.
- Use the school app track and trace function if entering the school grounds or sign in at the office. The NZ Covid Tracer QR Code is available at the office door and inside.

COVID-19 LEVEL 2

ADULTS:

- **No entry to buildings.**
- **Do not congregate.**
- **Maintain 1-2m distancing.**
- **Students not to be on-site until 8:15am.**
- **Afternoon pick-ups from 2:45pm only (no earlier).**
- **No stay and play after school.**
- **Leave school by 3:00pm.**

OSCAR: At alert Level 2 OSCAR is still available. Parents are to wait outside the building when collecting their children. The staff will sign the children out.

SWIMMING: Class swimming will continue. The pool will not be available for community use.

While we remain at Alert Level 2, students will continue to gather for events such as School Prayer and Assembly. Unfortunately, due to both numbers and space, we cannot accommodate parents at such gatherings. Thank you for your continued support for all we are doing to keep our community safe. We will be in touch about planned events in a separate alert.

Mike Dowd and Fiona Hopkirk.