



Reminders for School Under Level 2

12th August 2020

Kia ora Hinuera School Parents/Caregivers,

With the move back to Covid Level 2 for our area from today, here is a reminder about what we'll be doing to make this work for everyone in the Hinuera School Community:

- Everyone coming to school needs to be in good health, and anyone with coughs, colds or other illnesses must stay home until they have sought medical advice and are recovered.
- Students and staff will be using the Level 2 school social distancing guidelines, which requires not being in others "breathing space", so please discuss this at home.
- Enter the school through the main gates by the hall. Hands must be sanitised as you enter (see further down for drop off and pick up information).
- Everyone on site at school will also need to wash hands or sanitise every time they move around the school, including going in and out for breaks.
- Practice good personal hygiene at school, including coughing and sneezing into your elbow.
- All students need to bring their own food and drink bottles for the whole day at school. Drinking fountains are not being used at all.

Other things we will be doing under Ministry of Education guidelines to make school a safe place to be under Level 2:

- Cleaning all surfaces used at school daily, and high use areas like doors more often.
- Leaving doors open whenever practical.
- Supervisors at the gate every morning/afternoon to supervise drop off/pick up.
- Recording the names of all visitors to the school site to support traceability. This will include any parents who come through the school gates.
- Asking all visitors (including parents) to the school site to wait safely outside until attended to if they wish to enter any school buildings.

Drop Off and Pick Up Arrangements

These periods of the day are when we have the largest number of people about, including lots of coming and going, so they pose our biggest challenges to keeping safe under Level 2. Please read through this section carefully, particularly if you are an adult involved in school drop off/pick up.

- If any parents/whanau are entering the school at any stage (coming through the gates) you will need to sanitise your hands and record your name on a special school community contact list for the day. It doesn't require other details, as we know where to find you if needed!
- To hopefully avoid too many people needing to come onto the school grounds, we will be using the special drop off and pick up standing area using the car park spaces in front of the hall. This will be coned off apart from a Disability Park area at the north end. Please do not attempt to park in the coned area, or the disability area unless you are registered for this. If you are waiting in this area after school, staff will release your children to you without the need to come into school.
- The parks facing the school field will be tagged as a car drop off zone. Please only pull into these parks if you are unloading/loading.



School Bus Services

School Buses will run as normal in Level 2.

- Buses will run at normal times and using normal routes.
- All students are required to hand sanitise as they get on the bus. You can either use the bus company's sanitiser, or show them you're using your own.
- Students will need to stay seated and settled, and give others space (as always!).
- Social distancing will be harder on the buses and largely unmonitored, so any parents who are concerned about this situation are encouraged to make alternative travel arrangements.

Kind regards

Dean McDonnell - Principal