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COVID-19 Level 2 Update

PLEASE READ

Dear Parents/Caregivers and Whaanau,

With yesterday's announcement by the Prime Minister putting us into Covid-19 Alert Level 2, we wish to update you on changes here at school.

See further information below.

Hygiene

Level 2 appropriate signage has gone up around the school.

This includes;

Covid sign-in QR codes at both official entrances to the school, at the front office and at the hall entranceway.

Hand sanitizer signs put up.

2 metre distancing signs up around school and 1 metre distancing signs within buildings.

We are ensuring all sanitizer stations within the school buildings and at the front entrance ways are full of sanitizer.

The sanitizer we are supplying is once a day sanitizer and we are also encouraging children to wash their hands if dirty.

We are discouraging contact between children, so to this end, we will be putting games such as touch, rugby on hold for now.

Swimming will still take place as we can distance children and they are in a chlorinated environment.

Class/School Programmes

Class programmes will continue on largely as normal with social distancing taking place in class.

Kapahaka will take place, with 1 metre distancing in place.

Unfortunately, we will not be holding whole school assemblies, though we will still hold syndicate assemblies where children will be socially distanced from each other in the hall.

Parents can still come onsite, though we ask that you do this, only if necessary. If you do come onsite all adults must use the Covid-19 Tracer QR Code or the onsite sign-in sheets at the front office, hall entranceway and Cafe-morning only.

Device Access

Please click [HERE](#) to fill in a brief survey around who has device access at home. This device would need to be free for the children to work on independently. We need all parents to fill this in even if you did so last year as things may have changed. Please fill it in by Wednesday 17th February, though sooner would be greatly appreciated. We do have devices at school so would endeavour to get these to you.

Learning Packs

We are preparing Learning Packs for children who require them. They will be tailored to each level of the school, not to an individual child. This time instead of every child receiving a learning pack, we will send out a booking system with packs to be collected from school and signed out.

Sports and Physical Interaction

Any sports teams our children are involved in, with miniball being the possible first sport starting up, the following guidelines will be put in place.

From today Monday 15th February all CPS sports teams will be celebrating and acknowledging games in a different manner.

Instead, coaches and managers will get their teams to complete the three cheers for the opposition and walk past the opposition saying, "good game" No handshakes.

Today we talked to the children explaining that under Level 2 there will be no handshakes, high Fives, hongis or hugs at school or during school sports or social gathering.

Symptoms

The symptoms of COVID-19 are similar to common illnesses such as a cold or influenza. You may have one or more of the following:

- a new or worsening cough
- fever (at least 38°C)
- shortness of breath
- a sore throat
- sneezing and runny nose
- temporary loss of smell

Shortness of breath is a sign of possible pneumonia and requires immediate medical attention.

Some people may present with less typical symptoms such as only: fever, diarrhoea, headache, myalgia (muscle pain), nausea/vomiting, or confusion/irritability.

Symptoms can take up to 14 days to show after a person has been infected. The virus can be passed onto others before they know they have it – from up to two days before symptoms develop.

If you have these symptoms call Healthline (for free) on 0800 358 5453 or your doctor immediately.

Read more about [COVID-19 assessment and testing](#).

Sickness

We are asking you to keep your child/ren at home if they are unwell. We will be sending home any child that arrives at school that we deem to be unwell.

Self Isolation

Self-isolation is an effective precautionary measure to protect those around you – your family, friends, colleagues – from potentially contracting COVID-19. It means taking simple, common-sense steps to avoid close contact with other people as much as possible, like you would with the seasonal flu virus. We know it's a stressful time, but taking these measures will help protect you, your family and all of New Zealand from COVID-19 and other common infectious diseases.

You should minimise contact with others in your household while you wait for the test result. Others in your house only need to self-isolate while you wait for results if you have symptoms and are a close or casual contact of a confirmed or (probable) case of COVID-19.

You should not have visitors to your home, but it is okay for friends, family or delivery drivers to drop off food and supplies.

You should not share dishes, drinking glasses, cups, eating utensils, towels, pillows or other items with other people in your home. After using these items, you should wash them thoroughly with soap and water, place them in the dishwasher for cleaning or wash them in your washing machine.

Your health care provider will advise when you are able to leave self-isolation.

Please go to [Ministry of Health](#) for more information on self isolation.

Preparation for any future elevation of Alert Levels

As a precaution teachers are preparing for online learning in case we move into Level 3, at some point. If this does happen further communications will come out. Teachers are preparing for online learning classes and we are meeting this afternoon to update our readiness for this.

Instructions, logins etc would be sent to you. Seesaw would be used for Years 0-2 and Google Classroom would be used for Year 3-6.

Wellbeing

If your child is feeling anxious please email your child's teacher letting them know. We will do all we can to alleviate this. Likewise if you have any questions please email admin@cambridgeprimary.co.nz attention Mike and we will get a response back to you ASAP.

Where to find information?

The best places for you to keep up to date, in general, is through the following

- [Ministry of Education](#)
- [Ministry of Health](#)
- [NZ Government Covid-19](#)

Our updates will continue to be sent to you or available through;

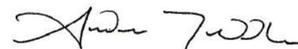
- Hero
- [School Website](#)

On behalf of the Cambridge Primary School staff, we are thinking of our wider Cambridge Primary School Family.

Kia Kaha, Aroha Nui



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