August 28, 2020

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Thank you once more to you all for the support and resilience you have shown through Alert Level 3. Only three more sleeps and we will be back at school. Prior to this there is some important information we want to give you all.

Firstly, if you have a child at Mt Albert Grammar you would have received a letter yesterday from the Auckland Regional Public Health Service asking for them to have a COVID-19 test. We have received several queries around this, asking if any of our students have brothers or sisters at MAGs are they able to come to Gladstone on Monday. We have contacted the COVID Healthline and they have said that ALL family members should stay away from schools until their test results are received. We ask that you please follow that advice. Some of you will also be aware that we have staff who have children who are students at MAGs. Please be assured they will be following the Health Services protocols. As was mentioned in the letter to the MAG's community the request to test is a precautionary measure and that the risk to their school community is considered to be low.

For the majority of you whose children will be returning on Monday this letter is to again outline how access to the school site will work while we are in level 2. While we are encouraging you to minimise onsite visits over Level 2 there are a few reminders for you should you need to come onto site. These key health measures include:

- Excellent hand hygiene and cough and sneeze etiquette. These are practiced all the time in our classrooms.
- Staying away if sick
- Keeping the appropriate physical distance from others.
- Using our QR code posters or sign in sheets at our entrances.

We know all these things will help to keep our community as safe as possible. Because of these measures, your child does not need to wear a face covering while at school. We will of course support them should they choose to do so.

For those of you who might be finding things more difficult than usual, a reminder that there is a large range of support available for businesses and the community. We encourage you to go to <u>covid19.govt.nz</u> for more information, or get in touch and we will help you to find the information and support you need.

Daily Routine

8:20 am - Monaghan/Seaview/Carrington Rd gates open

8:45 am – All gates will be secured. If you arrive late or need access to the school after this time, please come to the Carrington Road gate and phone the office on 846 9744.

2:50 pm – All gates will be open.

3:15 pm – Gates will be secured when Road Patrol finishes.

OSCAR starts again on Monday. The OSCAR Drop Off and Pick Up will be through the Seaview Terrace gate only.

Please remember all ADULTS coming onto the school site need to register using the NZ COVID Tracer APP or signing in at the gates.

Thanks heaps for your help with this. Be safe and well.

Dave