



Wainuiomata Primary School

Term 1, Week 4 2021

Dear Parents/Caregivers - Greetings, Kia Ora, Talofa

It is disappointing to be back at Alert Level 2, however the recent events in Auckland have shown how important it is to follow the procedures to keep everyone safe. A reminder that in Alert Level 2, schools are open for all students to attend and it is safe to do so.



The overriding principles for Alert Level 2 are:

- Minimise the risk that someone gets infected in the first place
- Ensure we can identify and contact anyone who has been in close contact with a person, if someone at our school is infected
- Understand that Level 2 is not business as usual

The key controls for schools are:

- Ensure people with Covid-19 symptoms or feel generally unwell stay away from school
- Maintain physical distancing (in schools this means children and staff maintaining distance so that they are not breathing on (moist breath zone or touching each other)
- Enable good hygiene practices
- Keep track of people that enter our school

A reminder that our Alert Level 2 Procedures are as follows:

- Parents are to remain outside the school gates for both drop off and pick up
- Only the main gate by the school office will be available to enter the school grounds - these will be open from 8:30am
- Both the gates by the hall and office will be available to leave the school grounds at the end of the day
 - 2:40pm Rooms 15 & 16 (main gate by office)
 - 2:50pm - Rooms 6 & 8 (gate by hall), Rooms 13 & 14 (main gate by office)
 - 3:00pm - Rooms 1, 2 (main gate by office), Rooms 7 (gate by hall)
- Coast Road Bus children to remain in classes until 3:00pm
- Older siblings of children in the junior school can be picked up at the earlier times - it is the children's responsibility to keep track of the time and meet their younger siblings at the designated time
- Students will be asked to sanitise their hands upon entering the gate
- Allison Burdon, Luke Hudson and/or Sam Sanders will be at the gate at the start and end of the day. They will observe students arriving checking for symptoms and will ask those presenting as unwell to go home
- Classroom teachers are also asked to observe students arriving checking for symptoms. Those presenting as unwell should be sent to the office ASAP to be sent home
- Parents farewell/pick up students from the gate showing awareness of physical distancing with other families
- Students are asked to sanitise their hands when leaving the classroom at the end of the day to avoid congestions at the school gate



- Students travelling to and from school on their own will be first to leave
- Parents are asked to be respectful of these regulations as adults are the 'most likely' chance of Covid-19 entering our school grounds
- There is no swimming under Alert Level 2

These procedures will remain in place until we move to Alert Level 1.

Thank you for your support at this time!

SIMPLE TIPS FOR PREVENTING THE SPREAD OF **FLU & COVID-19**

Keeping our early learning communities safe and healthy



Keep sick children at home, stay away from school or other gatherings



Play it safe and remind children to keep a safe 'breathing space' between themselves and others



Keep track of who your child has seen and where they've been



Wash and dry hands regularly with soap and water for at least 20 seconds



Remind children to cover coughs and sneezes with your elbow or tissue



Children should bring their own drink bottle. Do not share food/drink with others

For more information visit:
www.covid19.govt.nz or www.fightflu.co.nz

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Happy Birthday

Best wishes to these students whose birthday was last week or is this week: Cheyse, Leyton, Tyler, Enrique and Te Amorangi.

Learning Conversations

We will be scheduling Learning Conversations when we return to Alert Level 1. Hopefully these can be completed before the end of this term.

School Assembly

There is no school assembly this week under Alert level 2



Mutukaroa

Kia ora, my name is Sam Sanders and as part of my AP/SENCo role I will be continuing with Mutukaroa this year. I will be working with all the families of new 5 year olds and last year's 5 year olds to support their learning at home (and build home-school partnerships). I look forward to meeting everyone and welcome you to pop into my office and say hi (I am in the Mutukaroa Room at the end of the deck by Room 16).



Introducing our Public Health Nurse - Jos

Hi, my name is Jos and I am the Public Health Nurse for Wainuiomata Primary. My role is to support families and the school where there are health concerns. I also visit classrooms to provide Health Education sessions. Examples of these are hand washing for prevention of skin infections, nose blowing, oral hygiene and healthy eating. I am available on Wednesday mornings at school and can be contacted either through the school or on (04) 5709631



School Chaplain

Hi - I'm Rose Waldman and it's my pleasure to be your school Chaplain. A little bit about me. I've lived in Wainuiomata for 22years. My son and daughter went to primary school here and were involved in after school activities such as cubs, girls' brigade, karate, gymnastics and church. I am a CAP (Christians Against Poverty) support worker and as such I walk alongside three families. I am the Wellington District Coordinator for Angel Tree which works through Prison Fellowship of New Zealand. I have a passion for children and I believe they all have a voice and are valued. I look forward to meeting and connecting with families at Wainuiomata Primary School this year, and I'm excited to continue to support your children in their journeys.

Book Amnesty

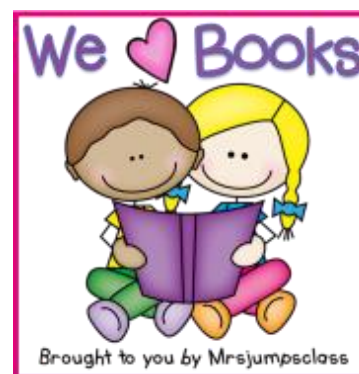
School books lurking in corners, under beds, in drawers?

We would love them back

We don't care how low you have had them.

They can be returned to your child's teacher or Sam Sanders in the Mutukaroa Room at the end of the Junior block

1 book? 50 books? Library books? Class books? Not a problem, as long as we get them back so we can use them again - THANKS



Reporting at the Office

Please sign in at the office if you are visiting the school. It is also a good idea to 'check in' at the office if you want to make an appointment with a staff member. Thank you for your help with this.

Riding Your Bike to School



Here are some safety points to remember when riding your bike to school

- All cyclists must by law wear an approved cycle helmet
- If children are at school without a helmet the school will retain the bike until the child has a helmet or the parents come and pick the bike up
- Riding on the footpath is illegal – the Road Code applies to cyclists whatever their age, the same way it applies to motorists. Children riding to school therefore need to know the Road Code and have good 'road sense'
- Police recommend that children are supervised under the age of nine when riding on the road

We ask that children do not ride their bikes when arriving or leaving the school grounds for Health and Safety reasons. Children are welcome to ride their bikes around our bike track / school grounds after 3:15pm. Thank you for your help with this.

Important Dates

- March 2021- Movin March
- Friday 2nd April – Tuesday 9th April – Easter Holidays (In term 1)
- Friday 16th April – End of term 1

Hei konei ra - Kind regards

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