



Pinehill School

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Kia ora koutou,

We are moving back to Alert Level 2 from 11:59pm tonight.

The huge volume of tests completed in the last few days has given confidence that if any further cases arise, they will likely be closely linked to these existing cases.

We look forward to welcoming all our students and staff back onsite tomorrow, Thursday 18th February.

It's been a great effort from our school and wider community, health workers, scientists, and technicians and the thousands of people who have been tested across New Zealand.

Just a reminder that while everyone is onsite at Alert Level 2 tomorrow, we must adhere to all key health measures including:

- Good hand hygiene and cough and sneeze etiquette
- Staying away if sick
- Maintaining the appropriate physical distance from others (in class this means no touching each other and keeping out of breathing distance). Teachers are rearranging classroom furniture and sticking masking tape on the class mat areas as a visual to support our students with this.
- Our cleaners will clean and disinfect our high touch surfaces daily. Teachers will continue to clean and disinfect tables and desktop surfaces daily.
- QR code posters are displayed at our entrances. We ask our community if you haven't already, to download the NZ COVID Tracer App. You will need to use this if you come onsite.
- Parents and caregivers who do enter the school grounds must check-in at the office and register on the SchoolApp 'Covid-19 Check-in' or use the visitor register in the office, this is available for anyone who cannot use the app and for other visitors who come onsite for any period of time.
- Parents and caregivers are encouraged to drop off and pick up only, to restrict the number of adults on site. If you are dropping your child off and picking them up, there is no need to sign in as you are not entering the school grounds. If you are entering the school grounds with your child, you are required to sign in and sign out (see bullet points above for how to do this).

We know all these things will help to keep our community as safe as possible.

Please play the Level 2 video here to remind students how our systems and processes in Level 2 work at school

[Keeping safe at school during level 2 video com...](#)

Our focus as always will be to support the learning, safety and wellbeing of our rangatahi and tamariki and we continue to be here to support you as well.

Please don't hesitate to contact your child's teacher or myself, if there is something you need assistance with.

Ngā mihi nui,

Carla Veldman / Principal