

COVID L4 Update

14 September

14 September 2021 - Week 8, Term 3

Message from our Principal

14th September 2021

Kia ora koutou,

The Prime Minister confirmed in yesterday evening's announcement that Auckland will remain in Level 4 until Tuesday 21st September at 11:59pm. The government has made an "in principle" decision to move Auckland down alert levels at this time and will confirm this during Tuesday's announcement next week.

Planning for Level 3

In Alert Level 3, schools will partially open. There will be a plan in place to allow some students to attend school, however, students **should continue to remain learning at home** if they are able. There will be NO before or after school care at Level 3. The approach to learning will be consistent whether children are at home or school. The Prime Minister was very clear in her message - "if you can keep your children at home, do so". Our wonderful teaching team will continue to plan for and post distance learning each day for your child to continue accessing learning at home. If you are an essential worker and there is no other parent/caregiver at home during the day with your child, then they may attend school for distance learning during Alert Level 3. Students must not come to school if they are unwell. At this stage, based on the survey responses, we are planning for a low number of students to return.

Thank you to the 207 families who responded to the survey to support us with our planning. The survey is now closed. If your survey response changes between now and when we open for Alert Level 3 please email me immediately carla@pinehill.school.nz

We will have very few staff onsite to supervise during Alert Level 3 and we do need to adhere to the Ministry of Education and government guidelines of keeping bubbles to ten. We are unable to take students who we have not been notified about.

As we continue Level 4 lockdown in Auckland...remember

Lockdown is tough on everyone.

We all have some days that are better than others.

Look after yourself.

Get exercise each day.

Offer to help others in your bubble.

Be kind to yourself and others.

Do something you enjoy.

If you feel that you need support or guidance, tell someone who can help.

It is good to remember that by staying in lockdown we are helping to keep ourselves, our friends and are whānau safe.

I wish everyone a great Level 4 week ahead.

Kia whakapono, kia āio, kia ngāwari, he noho kāinga.

Have faith, be calm, be kind, stay home.

Ngā mihi nui,

Carla Veldman / Principal

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A reminder.....SCHOOL GROUNDS ARE CLOSED

School grounds are closed. Nobody is permitted to enter school grounds during the lockdown. (This includes no walking through grounds, biking or playing on grounds etc).

By Order of New Zealand Government

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Free internet safety filter for parents

While children are learning from home, they are away from the online safety and security services provided by Network for Learning (N4L) at school. So together with N4L and Netsafe, the MoE has launched www.switchonsafety.co.nz – a free way to block the worst of the web for students and teachers.

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Key dates reminder

14 September - Level 4 distance learning continues

21 September - Cabinet announcement re Alert levels

21 September - **No School production** this week as planned, we are meeting to confirm if we will postpone the production until next term. Watch this space!

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Home Learning | Papa Kāinga TV and Māori Television education broadcasting continues

Free to air, on TVNZ channel 2+1 and on TVNZ on Demand, as well as on Sky Channel 502 runs from 9am to 3pm on school days with programming for children and young people, as well as for parents.

Content is grouped for early learners and students by age range, and includes play, literacy, mathematics, science, te reo Māori, physical education and wellbeing. All of the programmes feature experienced teachers and presenters, along with wellbeing and movement experts.

The programme schedule is here on the [Learning from Home](#) website. Check the [updates page](#) of the site for daily programming information.

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A big thank you to all of you for taking the lockdown so seriously. We will get through this. As the Prime Minister has noted, staying at home will break the chain and save lives;

Kia Kotahitanga tātau

We are all in this together.

Ngā mihi nui,

Carla Veldman, Principal



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