



Dear all,

It is great to see the majority of our students back at school this week. Everyone has eased into school life again and managed with the level 2 criteria.

We would like to update you on how school will look from Monday, September 13.

- **Kickstart Breakfast Club** will resume from Monday, September 13. Breakfast is available to all our students. Thanks to The Green Grocer in Thames, Sanitarium, Fonterra and Ministry of Social Development we provide breakfast Monday to Friday, every week. This is an opportunity for our tamariki to have a good healthy start to the day while they can catch up with friends or students from other classes.
- **Assemblies** will resume Friday, September 17 only if we have fine weather. Assemblies will only take place if we can hold them outdoors. No singing. No whānau can attend at this stage.
- **After School Care** continues in the same way. Please text/call Donna to confirm your child's attendance. Parents must collect their child from the library gate so again a quick text to Donna and she can meet you at the gate.
- **Attendance** is required. If your child is showing any cold/flu symptoms or generally unwell, please keep them at home. Please let the office know if your child is going to be away – we have lots of options to get in touch: email, phone, text (021 026 34461), website or Skool Loop app.
- **Play areas** will be back to normal. We have had the children separated into cohorts but from Monday they can play again in their usual play areas.
- **Early pick-ups/late drop offs/dropping off lunches** must be arranged by calling the office on 868 6504. A staff member will meet you at the gate.
- **Early Words and other Teacher Aide programmes** will resume from Monday, September 13.
- **No parents on school grounds** still at this stage. Staff will continue to monitor the gates in the morning and afternoons each day. If you need to see a member of staff, please give us a call to arrange an appointment. We then ask you to wear a mask, sanitise and scan in using our COVID tracer QR code.
- **Kitchen/cooking/library** will resume when it is safe to do so. In the meantime, library books will be delivered to classes for use during school hours.
- **Reports and parent/caregiver interviews** are due to go ahead as planned. Reports will be issued later this month with parent/caregiver appointments planned for Wednesday, 29<sup>th</sup> September. We will need to make some alterations to the appointment format but will provide details closer to the date. Room 9 will receive a letter on Monday regarding their reports and interviews.

- **Athletics** is our focus for the remainder of this term and all students will begin to practice.
- **Camps** are still planned to go ahead as scheduled but we will be investigating alternative options should we need them.
- **Tech** is yet to be confirmed but please come prepared for Monday. Please ensure closed shoes are worn. Students do not need to wear a mask but it is recommended.

*He waka eke noa – we're all in this together.*

We are doing our very best to keep on top of things as they evolve and when messages are issued from the Ministry of Education. We will keep you updated regularly and as information comes to hand.

We hope you have a lovely weekend and see you back on Monday.

Moanataiari School Staff