



SAINT BERNADETTE'S SCHOOL

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Kia ora koutou

We are very excited that New Zealand is ready to move to Covid Alert Level 2 this week.

For St Bernadette's School that means we are ready to welcome back all of our students on Monday 18th of May.

Level 3 has been a great practice and preparation for how Level 2 will look for us here at school. During Level 3 we have been running 2 bubbles of children. We have been very focused on hand washing and sanitising as well as careful coughing or sneezing into our elbows. Staff have been cleaning surfaces, equipment and touch points.

In level 2 we will be settling into our new normal for New Zealand. For all schools the big focus is on two things

- Hygiene
- Contact tracing.

We are well set up with sanitisers in every class and on entry and exit into school. Children will be washing their hands often through the day.

Our roll allows us to know who is here each day as far as students and staff go. We ask our parents and families and community to not come into school at this time. Anyone who does come in will need to sign in and out. You can do drop off or pick up at the gates but please do not gather in groups. Adults still need to keep safe physical distance. We will not be having visitors into school. Anyone who needs to drop off lunches etc to children will need to come into the main reception and leave things with the office. No one will be permitted beyond that point in the school.

Students in Years 5 - 8 that have school devices at home will need to bring them back to school when they return.

We are confident that school is a safe place and your children will be safe and happy back at school. The staff are very excited to be back and are looking forward to welcoming back their students.

If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me.

Ngā mihi

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