

Unite
against
COVID-19

School Notice

Tuesday 2nd March



Kia ora and Greetings to All,

It has been a busy day for many today. Including many of our students who have started, or are already well into learning at home.

Learning at Home: Workbooks and Laptops

After giving a large number of these out yesterday, we also gave out more today. Thank you to the small number of staff on-site who have helped with this.

If you need a Laptop or an internet connection (Modem) please text Cam on 0212427286 to arrange a time to collect it.

I know that in some rare situations we have been able to do this, but please do not expect us to drop things off to homes, as we do not have enough staff on-site to be able to do this sorry.

Learning at Home: Where to find Workbooks

Workbooks are available from several locations in our community including:

- McDivett Street Dairy
- Pātaka outside our school
- Pātaka on Beeston Crescent
- Pātaka on John Walker Drive
- Pātaka on Maplesden Drive

There is one workbook (Junior workbook) for Years 9 and 10. There is a pack of 3 workbooks for Year 11 students.

If any of these places needs to be restocked, please let us know.

Learning Menu

On our website is a full list of all of the workbooks and classes we are providing. As well as the email contacts for the Teachers running the online learning classes.

We will keep adding to this, as more things get added.

Teaching from Home: Online Classes

I have talked with several of our staff today. They have described the classes that they are teaching, many of these classes have less than half of the students in that class joining in.

If you have a Year 12 or 13 child at home please check with them if they are on-line yet. If they are having any problems ask them to contact their Teacher or the school.

If not having an internet connection at home (please don't rely on hot-spotting off a phone) is an issue, again, please let us know.

If there are no problems connecting to the school, then please encourage them to do so. 😊

COVID-19: What to Look for

Earlier today the Prime Minister asked us to look after ourselves and look out for each other more.

The symptoms of COVID-19 are similar to common illnesses such as a cold or influenza. Look for any of these things, sometimes people will have more than one symptom:

- a new or worsening cough
- fever (at least 38°C) = very hot to touch when you touch their forehead or skin
- shortness of breath
- a sore throat
- sneezing and runny nose
- temporary loss of smell.

Shortness of breath is also a sign of possible pneumonia and this also requires immediate medical attention.

Some people may have less typical symptoms. Such as only having: fever, diarrhoea, headache, muscle pain (called myalgia), nausea/vomiting, or confusion/irritability.

Symptoms can take up to 14 days to show after a person has been infected. The virus can be passed onto others before someone knows they have it – from up to two days before symptoms develop.

If you, or someone close to you, has these symptoms please call your doctor or call Healthline immediately. Healthline is a free, 24 hour a day, 7 days a week service with interpreters available. Healthline's free phone number is 0800 358 5453

More advice and information is also available at www.arphs.health.nz and <https://covid19.govt.nz/>

Essential Workers and Those Who Have To Work

If you have to work and you need your child to be at school tomorrow or for the rest of this week, please call or text me on 021 336 328 this evening, tonight or before 7:30am tomorrow morning.

We will have a dedicated staff team (bubble) at school to look after your child/ren and we will be providing masks etc to keep them safe.

Stay well and stay safe. Arohanui,



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