

School Notice

Monday 18th October

Kia ora koutou,

Welcome to the start of Term 4. This may not be the start that we wanted, but that's OK.

We were fully ready for a start-back onsite today. Our plans also factored in several variations, we need to wait a few more days, before sharing what we will do next.

So, tomorrow and Wednesday please support your child to reconnect with their schooling. Text or email their Tutor Teacher or Dean. Log into a google classroom, or complete some work in their workbooks.

Term 4 is starting differently, but we will keep doing the very best for our students.

Government Decisions Today

We will know more on Wednesday, when the Minister for Education (and Covid Response) is due to make a further announcement.

I do not believe the Minister will announce a date for re-opening schools. I think it is more likely he will announce a set of conditions that need to be in place so that schools can re-open. Things such as vaccination rates and the number of cases in Tāmaki Makaurau are likely to be part of these conditions.

So, please plan for 2 or 3 more weeks before our school site can reopen. It may be that school sites don't fully re-open in early November, but might start opening only to some year levels (e.g. NCEA students).

We should know more about this on Wednesday, and more again on Friday.

Learning at Home



Right now, we now know we have at least two more weeks of learning at home.

I am busy re-recording a couple of videos about this and these will be online tomorrow morning.

The most important thing we can do right now is to connect with our students and for our students to connect with us.

We do not want anyone dropping off. We want to reconnect with some of our students who have drifted away in the last part of last term.

If You are Back at Work and Need Your Child/ren to be at School



Our school is open to students who can't be at home because their parents or caregivers are working.

If you need to have your child (our student) at school during the day this week and next week, please contact me using the details below.

Contacting me or Someone in Our School

To contact me, please:

- Text or call me on 021 336 328
- Email me on principal@jchs.school.nz



To contact the school or ask to contact a staff member please:

- Call the School Office phone number 09-268 3950
- Ask a question through our Facebook page
- Send an enquiry through our website

Thank you to the people who have contacted me today, like the rest of our staff team, I am happy to help.

Looks like it is going to be quite a week!

The next newsletter will be tomorrow.

He waka eke noa • We are all in this together.


Grant
Grant McMillan,
Tumuaki • Principal