

# School Notice

## Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October

*Fakaalofa lahi atu and Kia ora koutou,*

### 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 please contact me by text or call me on 021 336 328. Or email me on [principal@jchs.school.nz](mailto:principal@jchs.school.nz)



**We will be providing this supervision throughout Level 3, keeping these students and staff members separate from everyone else.**

***School Reopening on site for Years 11, 12 and 13  
Next Tuesday***

### Safety and Wellbeing

We have two top priorities when we re-open on site. First and foremost is student and staff safety and wellbeing.

This includes:

- Mandatory mask wearing for all staff and all students
- Regular use and placement of sanitiser throughout the school
- Only essential visitors will be permitted onsite
- All visitors onsite will be kept separate from students and staff and must wear a face covering
- Good hand hygiene, and 'cough and sneeze etiquette' will be expected and promoted
- All classrooms will be well ventilated
- Using outside areas wherever possible
- Physical distancing will be adhered to wherever practicable, including spacing desks and spreading a class out across two classrooms in some cases
- High touch surfaces will be cleaned and disinfected regularly
- All staff and students who are unwell **must** stay at home, and get tested for COVID-19 and not return to school until a negative test result is received
- Where possible students at higher risk of severe illness should remain at home
- Staff who are at higher risk of severe illness and are also not fully vaccinated will remain home
- All staff members and anyone else working on-site will have had a recent negative Covid test before they start back
- A contact tracing register is in place for everyone coming onsite
- QR code posters for the COVID app will be displayed and their use strongly encouraged



We have mapped the daily and weekly routines, identified any risks and put in place a solution for each one, including:

- Avoiding large groups, the largest inside group will be a class
- Spreading students out when eating school lunches. Either spreading out across the sports field, or using two or more adjacent classrooms (instead of being in just one room)
- Managing school and classroom entry – where ‘bunching’ can occur
- Assemblies and staff briefings will be by zoom and/or on-line video postings

For wellbeing, we are:

- Keeping timetables and routines intact
- As much as we can, keeping the same teacher for classes
- Full onsite support from our Deans, Counsellors and Nurses

### **Learning and Qualifications**

This is our second priority. We have in place already and are going to provide:

- Timetabled classes for all students on-site based on their existing timetable
- A learning plan for each student
- Weekly progress reports to students and their whanau
- All Teachers, including any relievers, will be our own staff and will be experts in the area that they are teaching
- As much as possible, every student will be taught by the Teacher that they had before lockdown
- Lessons, revision and learning support will remain in place to the end of the school year
- Extra support is in place for students with later exams
- Block courses, tutorials and homework centres provided
- Guaranteed ‘interruption-free’ weeks where students can focus solely on learning
- Completing the “mock exams”
- Ensuring that we have a full set of alternative evidence of learning for students, in case this is needed by NZQA



***Our school will be one of the safest places in our community***

### **Text Message to Whānau**

Today we sent out a text message to all whānau of Year 11, 12 and 13 students asking if you could let us know the following:

1. If your child/ren are coming back to school on Tuesday/next week
2. If you are still not sure
3. If your child/ren are not coming back to school Tuesday/next week.



Our apologies if you did not receive this text, our computer system might not have your correct cell phone number.

If you didn't receive the text today please let us know your answers to the questions above by email at [admin@jchs.school.nz](mailto:admin@jchs.school.nz) , phoning 09-268 3950, or texting me on 021 336 328. Thank you.

Please make sure that you tell us:

- Your child's/children's **full names**, and
- Which **option** (1, 2 or 3)

For example

Kahu Smith, year 11 = 1

Afu Iosefa, year 13 = 2



### Year 9 and 10 Students Learning at Home

From the middle of next week, we are shifting up a gear for our Year 9 and 10 students.

The first step in this will be to collect the JCHS workbooks and also any work completed in the MOE work packs.

Once we collecting these workbooks/work packs, we will mark them and award Diploma Credits for the work that has been completed.

Perhaps the most important thing for Year 9 students to have completed is the MANA part of the Year 9 JCHS workbook.

**More information/details about this next week.**

*Monuina e Faahi Tapu he Vagahau Niue • Have a happy Niuean Language week.*

  
**Grant**  
Grant McMillan,  
Tumuaki•Principal

**Year 11, 12 and 13 students – if you haven't already, please use the next few days before school opens to get your first or second vaccination.**