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COVID-19

School Notice

Monday 8th November



Kia ora koutou,

Several things tonight. A quick look at the changes for Tāmaki Makaurau announced by the PM this afternoon; an update on learning; celebrating two awesome students; and Great News Story #1

AUCKLAND STAYS AT LEVEL 3 BUT MOVES TO STEP 2 AT MIDNIGHT TOMORROW

The Prime Minister has just finished sharing the decisions that Cabinet has made.

Amongst these is the move to Step 2, which essentially keeps the border restrictions in place, but allows more 'freedoms' inside the border.

There are no changes at all for schools or our school in this announcement.

Auckland Roadmap
RESTRICTIONS EASED IN STEPS

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- Retail opens**
 - Physical distancing and face coverings are required
 - Cafes and food courts within these businesses can operate for takeaway service only
- Public facilities open**
 - Places like libraries, museums, and zoos can open
- OUTDOOR catch-ups**
 - Increased to 25 people OUTDOORS
- Funerals, tangihanga, weddings and civil unions**
 - Limit of 25 people, plus staff

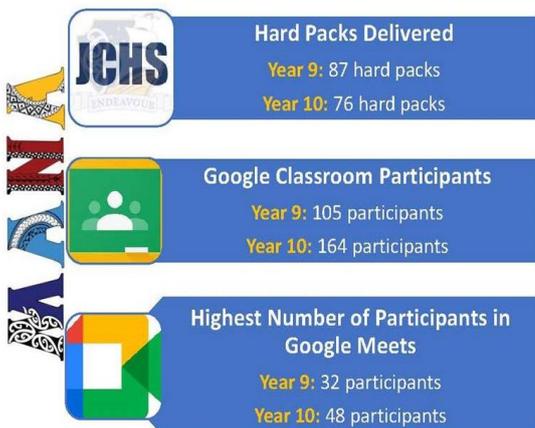
SCHOOL WORK FOR STUDENTS

Except for any students who might be in paid employment or have significant responsibilities, there is now **no excuse** for a student not to be engaged in learning that will help them achieve.

Year 11, 12 and 13 students can either learn on-site at school or learn from home.

We already have on-site students completing their NCEA qualifications. Some of them are now heading back to their paid jobs. Others are staying at school to sit the exams to try and improve their grades further.

If your year 11, 12 or 13 child is not doing any learning at home and is not able to come back on-site, please let us know how to contact you so we can get this sorted. Your child deserves the same chance as others to succeed.



Our **Year 9 and 10** students now have new learning material that changes every week. This is both on-line and paper based. And we will drop the work off and pick it up for marking.

We are also marking the work that your child completed last term, please drop it off to us (please wear a mask if you do) or let us know so we can collect it.

This chart shows how many Year 9 and 10 students are already involved in this new learning programme created especially for them.

If you have any questions, or you want help with work for your child, please let us know. Email our school at admin@jchs.school.nz, DM us on Facebook, or text/call on **021 944 978**

DOES YOUR CHILD NEED TO BE SUPERVISED WHILE YOU'RE AT WORK?



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

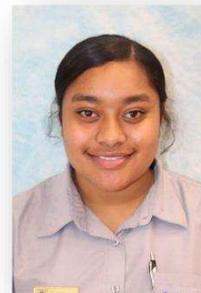
If you need to have your Year 9 or 10 child (our student) supervised at school during the day, text or call me on 021 336 328, or email me on principal@jchs.school.nz



CONGRATULATIONS

Ruby Narayan, Year 12, (*left*) has been selected as the Manurewa Youth MP for the youth parliament, and Sonia Ungounga, Year 11, (*right*) has been selected as a Ministerial Adviser.

Both students will be travelling to Wellington in July next year to be part of the Youth Parliament. Congratulations to you both!

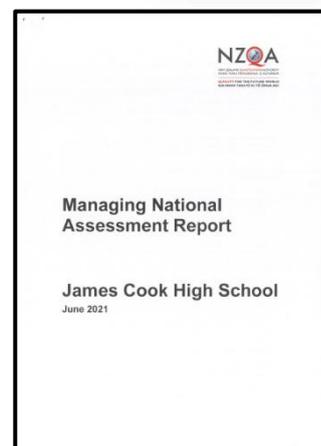


GOOD NEWS STORY #1 NZQA REPORT

This week we are sharing our recent good news stories.

We were once on 3-yearly reviews by NZQA. We were trusted.

- NZQA visited us in **2013**, looked back over the last three years and said we were doing OK, but we had 6 things to act on.
- NZQA visited again in **2016**, looked back over the previous 3 years and said:
 - the things from 2013 hadn't been acted on; and
 - we now also had several significant issues. Including "...a significant proportion of students..." were 'locked out of being able to get a NCEA qualification
 - our 'consent to assess' (being approved by NZQA) was at risk of being lost.
- From **2016 to 2018** we were under close scrutiny from NZQA as we then fixed all of the problems that they had found. Including making sure that every student was enrolled in NCEA and measuring our school's success on this basis.
- We worked closely with NZQA to ensure that what we were doing was lawful, ethical, and correct.
- NZQA reviewed us again in **2018**, looking at what we had done. They commented positively on the progress that our school had made, and
 - Confirmed that we had only 3 things to act on; and
 - Our 'consent to assess' was confirmed.
- We kept liaising with NZQA to make sure we were doing things properly and in high quality ways.
- Earlier this year, **2021**, NZQA visited again. They looked back over the last 3 years and
 - commented positively on the quality of what we are doing, and
 - there are NO things to act on, and NZQA made one suggestion to put all of our teacher guidelines into one handbook.



I am proud to report to you, our students, whānau and community, that we now have a clean bill of health. We are again trusted.

All of these reports will be on our website tomorrow, so you can see our journey for yourself.

My thanks to our hardworking leaders in this area: Stuart King and Maria Coyne, the Heads of Faculty that supported them, and to all of our teaching staff. All of these people have not only worked hard, but they have done so with integrity. Ensuring that all of our students are supported to succeed and earn qualifications that mean something. I am proud to work with and for such a team of Leaders and Teachers.

*The next newsletter is tomorrow evening.
Ngā mihi,*

**Grant
Tumuaki • Principal**