



Tēnā koutou katoa, Talofa lava, Malo e lelei, Kia orana, Ni sa bula vinaka, Taloha ni, Fakaalofa lahi atu, Ni hao, Assalamu'alaikum warahmatullahi wabarakatuh, Namaste, and Warm Greetings to All.

Our academic year has got underway well, with large numbers of students confirming their courses and timetables for the year and starting the term.

Thank you to all our whānau who have helped with enrolments and also supporting their children to start the year well. It is great to see all of our students wearing their masks throughout the day, and so many students looking tidy and proud in their uniforms.

Last week, we had our first "COVID Alert". During our staff-only days (Tuesday and Wednesday) one of our staff members was onsite and felt fine. Overnight Wednesday, they felt unwell and did exactly the right things: they stayed away from work and went to get a test – receiving their positive result Friday morning.

We identified all other staff members who were close contacts and casual contacts, and we asked all staff (regardless of their status) to get a test. Since then, some staff members (close contacts) have had several tests.

I am pleased to report that every single test result is negative.

This has been a very useful 'practice run' of our systems and routines and we are now well placed for the rest of the year, as we will no doubt face this sort of situation more and more.

The most pleasing thing is, just like all the way through last term, we know again that our school's expectations and routines work. That if we follow these well and constantly we can prevent COVID being transmitted onsite.

As we start this year, please be assured that our staff and I are committed to making sure our school is one of the safest places in our community.

Ngā mihi nui,

Grant
Tumuaki • Principal

POWHIRI

We had a different to normal, profound and very sincere pōwhiri on our Atea this year.

We missed having whānau, caregivers with us this year and having the safety of our students, staff and whānau was the most important part of this decision.

We are very sure that our students and new staff felt very welcomed.

UNIFORM

Uniforms can be purchased from The Warehouse Clendon or the Uniform Shoppe in Manukau.

Puutake polo shirts can be purchased from the school.

STATIONERY

Whānau and students can purchase a stationery pack from school for \$10.00. You can pay the following two ways:

CASH

Please send your child to school from Monday 14th February with \$10.00 to buy their pack during Interval and Lunchtime from the LCR room (kitchen window side).

EFTPOS

Whānau can purchase this from the Front Office.

MONDAY 14TH FEBRUARY



We want to reassure whānau that we are fully prepared for your child's **Return to School** next week Monday 14th February. We have steps in place to continue making our school one of the safest places in the community with good ventilation, using outside areas wherever possible, mask-use, sanitisers, keeping your distance, high touch surfaces will be cleaned and disinfected regularly and all staff and students who are unwell must stay at home, and get tested for COVID-19

From Monday 14th, school will be operating normal timetable time. Period 1 starts at 8:40am, please have your child here by 8:30am so they arrive to class on time. School ends at 3pm. Lunch is provided to all students for each day of schooling.

If your child hasn't received a timetable, please have them go straight to Reception for assistance.

See you on Monday 14th February!

