Alert Level 3 at Pinehurst School

New Zealand will move into Alert Level 3 on Tuesday 21 September. This means that there are still many restrictions, but that our school is able to open, and will do so from **Wednesday 22 September.**

There are conditions to this that the Government has set, though:

- Schools can open for students from Years 1 10.
- Students in Years 11 to 13 must still be working from home.
- Physical attendance at school for students in Years 1-10 is for children who need to come into school. The preference is for students to learn from home.
- Everyone coming onsite must be using the Covid-19 app to sign in at Level 3.

There are also rules about maintaining physical distancing.

At Pinehurst, we are always exceptionally careful about health and safety, and so we have taken additional care to make sure that our students and staff are safe at school.

If your child is unwell, he or she must not come to school.

This is how Level 3 will work at Pinehurst. **Please note that some details may change before we move to Level 3.** We will update this document and store it on our website. We will also send you any new versions that we create.

This is not intended to cover every possible question, so please just ask us any questions you have, and we will do our best to answer it fully.

We have a full, comprehensive COVID-19 Health and Safety Management Plan in place and it is operational.

Primary School

There will be up to 10 students in each bubble, accompanied by 1 or 2 staff.

If you wish to send your child to school, please let Alex Reed know by 6 pm the previous day.

Students in school

- The school day will be 8.45 to 3.15 for students.
- Your child will need to arrive at school between 8.15 am and 8.45 am. There will be no Before School Care during Level 3.
- All students will be in their bubble for the whole of the school day.
- The online programme will run for all students, but staff in school will support the students' learning, and may choose to break up the day with activities from time to time.

- Lunchtimes and intervals will take place in their bubbles. There will also be supervision of children at these times.
- All rooms will be kept well ventilated.
- We will have additional cleaning of surfaces (indoors and outdoors) during the day, and additional cleaning each evening.
- At 3.15, teachers will bring their classes to the gates by the netball courts by the Year 3, 4 and 5 playground, where they can be collected by parents who must wear masks and sign in with the Covid-19 app.
- There will be no after school care during Level 3.
- School buses will not run at Level 3.
- Masks will be worn by all staff. Masks will be worn by all students from Year 4 upwards. This will not apply when students are playing or exercising.
- All staff and students will wash or sanitise their hands when entering a room, before eating, and at other times when appropriate.

Students at home

We will continue to run a full online programme for all students.

College: Years 7 - 10

Students will be in bubbles of 10 or fewer, supervised by 1 or 2 members of staff.

If you wish to send your child to school, please let Alex Reed know by 6 pm the previous day.

Students in school

- The school day will be 8.45 to 3.15 for students.
- Your child will need to arrive at school between 8.15 am and 8.45 am.
- All students will be in their bubble for the whole of the school day.
- The online programme will run for all students, but staff in school will support the students' learning, and may choose to break up the day with activities from time to time.
- Lunchtimes and intervals will take place in their bubbles. There will also be supervision of children at these times.
- All rooms will be kept well ventilated.
- We will have additional cleaning of surfaces (indoors and outdoors) during the day, and additional cleaning each evening.
- At 3.15, students will make their own way to the front of the school, where they can be collected by parents who must wear masks and sign in with the Covid-19 app.
- School buses will not run at Level 3.
- Masks will be worn by all staff. Masks will be worn by all students.
- All staff and students will wash or sanitise their hands when entering a room, before eating, and at other times when appropriate.

Students at home

We will continue to run a full online programme for all students.

College: Years 11 – 13

We will continue to run a full online timetabled programme for all students. This will be the same as the lessons we have already been running. As before, we will do everything we can to make the experience a valuable and rewarding one for our senior students.

Whole School

- The School Office will be open between 8.00 and 4.00 every day.
- If you have an appointment at the school, or wish to see someone at school, you will need to sign in on the Covid-19 app and wear your mask before you enter Reception.
- Staff who are able to work at home will do so, but senior staff will be available to see parents if an appointment is made.
- There will be no co-curricular activities before or after school.
- The school will not be used by any external providers.
- Staff will sign in daily with the Covid-19 app.
- The Uniform Shop will operate as 'click-and-collect'. Uniform will be collected at Reception. You can order through the link at the top of the School Website.

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