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Kia ora tatou

I hope you've had a good day - it's been lovely here. Bustling, sunny and full of energy. And absolutely wonderful to have nearly everyone here!

Today's update:

New cases

We have had four new cases since Friday:

- A student in Year 3 tested positive on Saturday morning. He was last in school on Thursday and probably picked up the virus at an outside activity on Wednesday evening. He was therefore probably infectious at some point on Thursday. We tested all Year 3 students this morning before school: all tests were negative.
- A Year 13 student tested positive on Saturday. He is the brother of a Year 10 student who tested positive earlier in the week, and so he was already isolating (since Tuesday evening) as a household contact. He was not infectious while he was at school.
- A Year 9 student tested positive yesterday. She probably caught the virus at an outside activity, and may possibly have been infectious on Friday. This morning, we tested a number of the student's friends as well as a few other students who had been at the outside activity. All tests were negative.
- A Year 3 student tested positive this morning. She probably caught the virus from the Year 3 student who tested positive on Saturday. She is very unlikely to have been infectious while she was in school.

All the students mentioned have or have had mild symptoms, and we send them our very best wishes. Thank you, as always, to the parents who acted so quickly to support our community.

Rapid Antigen Tests

- We tested all Year 2 students who were in school last week: all tests were negative.
- We tested all Year 3 students who were in school last week: all tests were negative.
- We tested some Year 9 students, as well as some senior students potentially connected to the Year 9 student who has tested positive. All tests were negative.
- We tested some returning students and staff: all tests were negative.

Tomorrow, we are not currently intending to test any specific groups of students right now, but please so keep alert for symptoms as usual, and act cautiously if your child is unwell.

Many thanks to you all. Have a lovely afternoon and evening,

Alex.

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