

Coatesville School Newsletter

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Dear Parents/Caregivers

Tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou katoa

COVID-19: Current situation

After the PM’s announcement earlier today, it was confirmed we will have to wait until Monday afternoon to understand whether Auckland will continue to stay in Alert Level 3 or will change levels on Thursday.

So we are facing the scenario of **either continuing our ‘Distance Learning Programmes’ beyond Wed 26 August OR opening the school under Alert Level 2 on Thursday 27 August**. We will await the decision on Monday.

At Alert Level 2 there are specific expectations and restrictions. We have operated at this level previously so, unless you are new to the school, most staff, students and parents/caregivers are familiar with what is required. We will send Alert Level 2 information to everyone once a move to this level has been confirmed.

But to remind you of what was previously implemented, please refer to our [Alert Level 2 expectations](#) document. Please note: Some of these expectations may change if required by the Ministry of Health and/or Education.

Parent-Student-Teacher Conferences

The conferences originally scheduled for Wednesday 12 August were unfortunately postponed due to Auckland moving into Alert Level 3.

As a result, we will reschedule all booked conferences for the first available opportunity.

The **proposed date of these conferences will be Wednesday 2 September**. (2.15-5.30pm)

This date will be confirmed next week - unless Auckland stays in Alert Level 3 past next Wednesday.

In that case we will revise our options and communicate this immediately.

School Cross Country/‘Fun Run’

This event was scheduled for Friday 4 September.

Unfortunately this **event has been postponed** once again, due to the restrictions placed upon us.

Any **fundraising for the KidsCan Charitable Trust has also been put on hold**.

Please do not seek any funds for this event at this time.

Further information will be shared about this event as soon as possible.

Ag Day Artwork Competition

Every year we run a competition for students to create a design for our Ag Day t-shirts, posters and cards. This is open to all children.

The entry form: [Ag Day Artwork Competition](#)

Students will be able to access these forms from the office or from their teacher from tomorrow - or you can simply print one yourself.

The most successful entries tend to be simpler ones. The design does not require lots of intricate detail but should be bold and capture the essence of Ag Day!

Entries must be received at the office by **9am Friday 28 August** (if we have moved to Level 2 next week).

Ag Day 2020

The event is still planned to proceed on Saturday 17 October.

Obviously a change in Alert Level around that time may impact on the running of the event but, at this time, please assume it will run as planned.

School Playgrounds

Just a reminder that the school playgrounds (ie. the forest, oak tree and adventure playgrounds) are officially closed for use during Alert Level 3 due to MOH requirements.

Ka kite ano. Hei konā mai.

Richard Johnson

Principal

