

St Joseph's Catholic School



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Kia Ora Koutou,

As I am sure you are aware, there are a few new changes announced recently in terms of the Government's COVID response plan. The key change being that there are NO limits on outdoor gatherings. This is great news. So, as of Monday 28 March the following changes will take place here at school.

- Parents are welcome to come on to the school grounds for morning drop off and afternoon pick up.
- While at RED, we continue to ask parents remain outside of the classrooms/school buildings.
- Masks are NO longer required when onsite and outside.
- We do encourage the continuation of morning drop offs at the gate because the children have come into the school far more settled, and you have probably formed a healthy habit that benefits both you and your child. However, this decision is entirely up to you.
- School gates will be opened at 8:15 am.
- At this stage we will continue to have assemblies and liturgies for the remainder of the term based within our teams, but we look forward to possibly resuming whole school events in the near future.

We are encouraged by these latest announcements and have been extremely grateful for the way our community has supported each other through this difficult time. We acknowledge that COVID is still very much part of our lives, however, we are definitely finding solutions and getting into the groove of teaching and learning during this time with so many changes.

We are delighted to have 85% of our children back at school. Thank you for your continued diligence in recognising symptoms and keeping your children and whānau at home if they are unwell.

Have a fantastic weekend.

God bless,

Robin Burns
Assistant Principal