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Dear Parents & Caregivers

Tēnā koutou te hunga pānui o tō tātou hāpori.

Ngā mihi mahana ki a koutou katoa

I do hope you are holding up out there at the moment. The information seems to suggest we have two to three more weeks of increasing Covid cases before we start to see a drop off early April. Thank you to everyone who has been keeping us up to date with what is happening in the families at the moment. It really helps us to keep a grasp on what is going on in our community, and we can then respond appropriately. Thank you as well, to everyone who has sent such positive messages this week. They are really appreciated by the team here.

We were **notified this morning of a positive case in Aoraki**. The child has not been at school for the entire week. Aoraki parents have all received an individual e mail. These notifications are going to become far more frequent over the next two to three weeks as we ride the wave of cases. From now on, when a case is notified, we will only notify the hub concerned.

I'm including information from the Ministry of Education, which is really clear around positive contacts, household contacts and what we need to do if we become one.

Positive cases of COVID-19

A person confirmed to have COVID-19 must currently isolate for a minimum of 10 days and until they are symptom-free. If they are still sick, they should stay home until they are well. Day zero for isolation is from the date they either developed symptoms or were tested if they do not have symptoms. The case does not need to have any further tests after their initial confirmation test (they have already tested positive).

Household contacts of someone with COVID-19

Any household contacts of the positive case must also isolate for 10 days and take tests on day three and 10 of the case's isolation period. If a household contact tests negative on day three and day 10 and is symptom free, they can **return to school on day 11**. If someone else in the house tests positive, you do not need to restart your 10 days unless you have tested positive.

Household contacts in shared-care arrangements

A household contact is someone who **shares a house or flat** with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 (a case). This may be on either a **permanent or part-time basis** and where the contact has spent at least one night or day (greater than eight hours) in that residence while the case was infectious. A part-time basis includes instances where someone is part of a shared-care arrangement. If a child has spent a day or night in a home where there is a shared-care arrangement, and someone in that home was infectious at the

time, **they are a household contact**.

If they move to the other home during their required period of self-isolation, they must continue to isolate when in that other home. They cannot return to school until they have finished their period of isolation and have received their day three and day 10 test results.

I hope that has been helpful. You might find the graphic in the next page useful as well.

Have a relaxing weekend everyone

Koina ngā kōrero mo tēnei wā

Kia pai ō koutou wiki

Nāku nā

Glenn

New Enrolments

A warm welcome to:

Hunter Kemp, Thomas and Marina

Antonious Samy Salama and Pascall

and Kallan Foote who have just started with us. We hope you enjoy your school days at Port Ahuriri School 😊



Camp Fundraiser

We will be selling Juicies at lunchtime every Monday and Wednesday (till sold out) to raise money for camp, \$2 each (cash only).

School App

Just a reminder to make sure you have the right options selected in the school app to ensure you get the alerts you need. If you are unsure, click on the 3 lines at the top left of the main screen and select Alert Subscriptions. Use the arrows to select the hub you want to receive notices about, as well as sports etc. Any problems pop into the office and see Sonya.



How cute is this. Year 1-2 netball teams yesterday.



How to work out your 10 days of self-isolation



start over if you test positive

Find out what you need to do if:	you are positive for COVID-19	you are a Household Contact (living with a positive case)*
Day 0	The day you test positive or start experiencing symptoms, whichever is earliest.	Your Day 0 is the same Day 0 as the first positive case in your household.
Day 3	-	Get a Day 3 test today, or sooner if symptoms develop. If it's positive, start a new 10 days of self-isolation.
Day 10	-	Get a Day 10 test today, or sooner if symptoms develop. If it's positive, start a new 10 days of self-isolation.
Day 11	After 10 days, as long as you are free of COVID-19 symptoms, you will be free to leave self-isolation.	After 10 days, as long as you have a negative Day 10 test result and no COVID-19 symptoms, you will be free to leave self-isolation.