



Fairfield College

28 March 2022

Kia ora e te whaanau

The number of students and staff that have contracted Omicron continues to vary and my hope is that we are peaking or have already peaked.

Thank you to parents that have informed the school about the Covid-19 situation that they are managing. We realise that this is a challenge and appreciate the notice. Students will either be isolating because they have contracted Covid-19, or they are a household contact (someone in their home has contracted Covid-19).

There are no other isolation requirements and I encourage students to attend school if they are not in the two categories referenced.

The table below outlines case numbers from February 28 to March 28.

FFC Omicron Case numbers February 28 to March 28	
Students contracted Omicron	Students contracted Omicron and returned to school
169	110
Staff contracted Omicron	Staff contracted Covid Omicron and returned to school
16	13

The Omicron symptoms such as: headache, sore throat, runny nose, sneezing, and fatigue need to be carefully monitored. Please do not send your children to school if they are unwell.

Incident today at school

An adult male member of the public approached a group of FFC students at the Clarkin Road shops. The approach of the adult was antagonistic and threatening. Ours students ignored him and proceeded to make their way to school. The adult followed the students and continued to antagonise them by hitting hats off their heads and swearing at them. Once the students reached the Fairfield College entry gate in the front of the school (nearest to school sign) he assaulted two of them and threatened others. He also threatened the use of weapons and has stated that he would return.

We have been able to follow up with the victims (including parental contact) and will continue to monitor their wellbeing and provide support.



Be respectful
Be responsible
Be the best you can be

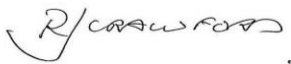
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The incident has been reported to the Police and we have informed our local schools of the incident. We have provided photographs of the male adult to the Police and to our local schools.

It is important that you are aware that this incident took place and that with the support of the Police we are managing the situation to ensure our students and staff are safe.

Please do not hesitate to contact the school if you have any queries.

Kia haumaru - Be safe.
Naaku noa, naa

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R/CRAWFORD'.

Richard Crawford
Principal