

Fairfield College

August 27, 2021

Kia ora e te whaanau

I hope that you are all well as we prepare to transition from Level 4 to Level 3 from 11:59pm on Tuesday August 31.

This communication will cover the following areas:

- 1. Enabling parents to receive weekly summaries of assigned work
- 2. Changes to NCEA dates
- 3. Fairfield College operating under alert level 3

Enabling parents to receive weekly summaries of assigned work

Google classes which is the school's platform for delivering remote distance learning has an application that enables parents to receive a weekly list of the learning tasks that teachers have assigned to their children. To enable parents to access this summary they are required to email **one** of their child's teachers and request access.

Parents will receive an invitation from the teacher which they must accept to access the assigned learning task summary. Once this has been accepted parents will receive through email a weekly summary of the learning tasks that have been assigned by teachers in all of their child's subjects. Parents need to request access from only **one** of their child's teachers to receive a learning task summary from the teachers of all of their child's subjects.

The following is an example of an e-mail that could be sent.

Kia ora Ms Cholewa, Can you please give me access to Isaac and Maia Crawford's weekly summary of assigned work. Thank you Richard Crawford

Fairfield College staff email addresses.

Changes to NCEA dates

The New Zealand Qualifications Authority have informed secondary schools that the disruption of Delta variant of COVID-19 has caused them to change the dates for end of year NCEA and NZ Scholarship exams. They will be delayed by two weeks and will now take place from Monday 22 November until Tuesday 14 December. Due dates for portfolio submissions will also be delayed by two weeks.

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This news is well received because it will provide schools with more time to prepare students for their end of the year external assessments and also to complete their internal assessments. For Fairfield College this means that school for senior students will now conclude on November 17 instead of November 3.

Fairfield College operating at Alert Level Three

Fairfield College will be open for instruction from Wednesday September 1. Under Alert level 3 senior students (year 11, 12, and 13) are required to continue with distance learning. Year 9 and Year 10 students are also required to continue with distance learning unless they are unable to be supervised at home because of their parent (s)/guardian(s) employment situation.

To assist the school prepare to open on Wednesday September 1, I respectfully request that all parent(s)/guardian(s) of Year 9 and year 10 students complete the <u>Fairfield College Year 9 and Year</u> <u>10 Level Three attendance list</u>. This information is critical in our preparation to meet the strict requirements that have been put in place by the Ministry of Health.

Under Alert Level 3 Fairfield College will limit the number of staff on site. We will be staffed to a level that will ensure the safety and the quality of learning for those students that attend school. The remainder of our staff will continue to work from home to provide and support quality distance learning for our students.

On Monday August 30, I will send information about how Fairfield College will be implementing the required public health standards and also how learning will be organised under Alert Level 3.

Thank you for your continued support.

Kia haumaru - Be safe.

Naaku noa, naa

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