



# Fairfield College

28 February 2022

Kia ora e te whaanau

From today the school will be posting an update of the number of students and staff that have tested positive for Covid-19 on the school Facebook page. Our goal is to have this posted by 4pm each school day: [FFC Covid-19 case numbers](#)

As referenced in the February 25 communication it is unlikely that either a student or staff member contracted Covid-19 at school. This is based on Dr Jin Russell's [research from New South Wales about their recent Omicron outbreak](#) which showed that spread within the school setting is very low (less than 4% of cases at school infected someone else when at school). New Zealand schools appear to be following a similar pattern; however, we feel that it is important that our community is informed of the case numbers that Fairfield College is managing.

We anticipate that the school case numbers will reflect the escalation of case numbers nationally, therefore, it is important that parents monitor Omicron symptoms such as: headache, sore throat, runny nose, sneezing, and fatigue. If any of these symptoms are observed I encourage you to organise a Covid-19 test to be carried out. It is crucial that student wellness is managed very carefully. Please do not send your children to school if they are unwell.

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 (please see attached document of contact classification).

Please contact the Year Level Dean if distance work has not been provided for students that are required to isolate.

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Kia haumaru - Be safe.

Naaku noa, naa

Richard Crawford  
Principal



**Be respectful**  
**Be responsible**  
**Be the best you can be**

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# What type of contact are you?

