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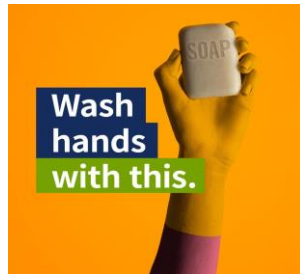


Dear Parents/Whanau,

**Community Consultation: Covid-19
Alert L. 1 again**

Well we have had a shock last week when we moved up to Level 3 and there was talk of a potential COVID-19 outbreak. Thankfully as you know even though we still have a few cases it is being contained and we are at **Covid Alert Level 1**. The Ministry of Education and Health has said that it is safe for children to be at school.

We continue to put in place extra cleaning measures and disinfecting practices and encourage good hygiene.



Again, the simplest but most important thing that we all can do is wash our hands. It kills the virus immediately. We will also continue to remind pupils to stay home if they are unwell and to seek medical advice. So be reassured that the way we are operating as safely as we can.

Student contact update details

Thank you to everyone who filled in their contact details and sent it back to us. However we have had a few children who have had to go home recently and we were unable to contact whanau because

cell numbers and even addresses have changed. A sick child is miserable and needs to go home. We need your contact details.

Cell phone number:

Physical address:

Email address:

So if you haven't returned the contact sheet please use the one with this week's newsletter and of course, we will keep your details strictly confidential.

Free School lunch programme



The Collegiate has been selected to be part of the **Free Lunch in Schools programme** which is being rolled out nationwide. The plan is to give every child a quality healthy lunch every day. Our trial is with Pita Pit and it is scheduled **to start on Monday 8th March**. Next week we start the orders (there is a delicious menu to choose from) and the free lunch programme is underway.

This also means that as every child will have a great lunch and a piece of fruit for morning tea that the tuck shop will close.



School Programmes: Swimming & Sistema

Just a reminder that all our programmes are back to normal with (Yr 3-6) swimming starting again. Sistema too is back and that includes both within school sessions and after school. Please remember we help with transport to OMAC but you need to pick your child up from there after their practice.



Community Consultation: Goal Setting

Just a heads up that goal setting this term will be on **Thursday 18th March**. Please note that this year we will be trialing the whole day 9am -5pm for goal setting to give you greater opportunities to come in at a time that may suit you better and discuss your child's learning. So there will be no classes on Thursday 18th March

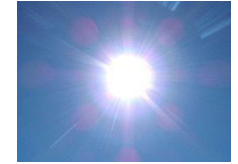


We will resume as normal on Friday 19th March. A letter with more details and time slots for you to choose will follow later. As I have said before it is only in partnership that we can get the best learning outcomes for your child. Powerful learning occurs when the home, school and child

are all focused on the learning goals. Hope to see you all there.

Health and Safety

So far the term has been hot. I'm sure that if I dropped an egg on the



playground at times it would have fried. It's nearly always hot at this stage of the year and will probably stay this way until the end of

March. Can I suggest that you leave your child's polar fleece at home? There are some really hot to boiling little ones running around playing games with bright red faces at the breaks and they don't need their jumpers. (While I'm mentioning this can I also ask your help by putting your child's name on anything they own. This makes it so much easier to identify who owns what.)

Junior Award



The hardest working pupils this week are: Sisi Maka and Matthew Tauti from Room 1. They are already showing great improvements and finishing their work. Our congratulations to both these pupils.

Yours truly,
John Shearer
Principal

Return Slip (Return this slip and go in the draw for a book prize!)

I have received the newsletter & I have read it.

Signed.....

