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Covid-19 Alert Level 4

Good evening Fordell Families

We are now all in Alert Level 4 which means that Fordell School will not be open onsite for the next three days, for any students or staff. This follows someone being identified with COVID-19 and who has been in the Auckland and Coromandel communities while believed to be infectious.

It is really important we do everything we can to keep our community safe. Alert Level 4 means we need to stay home in our bubbles and avoid any travelling as much as possible. Supermarkets, pharmacies, foodbanks and other essential services will be open - but remember to wear a face covering if you are out and about (even a scarf wrapped around your mouth and nose will help). Check in using the NZ COVID Tracer App wherever you go and please also keep a distance from people you don't know and wash your hands well and often, especially before and after using any public facilities.

With such short notice we weren't able to hand out devices or hard packs to students in order to support
distance learning. Your teacher will be in touch tomorrow with some information to support learning from
home. Let's hope this only lasts for the three days. If it goes longer we will look at further ways of supporting
you at home with learning material and devices.

Please go to the Ministry of Health website if you have recently visited Auckland or the Coromandel region. There is a <u>list of locations</u> the confirmed case has visited while they were considered to be infectious. If you were at one of those locations **and** at the same time as specified on the website, then please follow the relevant instructions to isolate and potentially to get tested. Please keep checking that webpage as new locations may be identified over time.

Our focus as always will be to support the learning, safety and wellbeing of our students and we continue to be here to support you as well.

Please don't hesitate to contact your child's kaiako/teacher or me, if there is something you need assistance with.

Ngā mihi

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