



TE AROHA COLLEGE

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01 May 2020
COVID-19 Update

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Dear Parents Whanau and Caregivers

We are now working in the Alert Level 3 of COVID 19 Alert framework and have opened Te Aroha College to supervise registered students. We have strong health and safety procedures in place to ensure everybody is kept safe who is on the school site. We would again stress that the safest place for our students and staff is within their already defined family bubbles.

Thank you for all of your continued support of our online learning programmes. We appreciate that this is challenging for many students and we ask for your support to keep checking in with your students on their learning progress. Form teachers will be making contact with you over the next week to update you.

If your family circumstances have changed supervision is available for students who require it from Year 9 and Year 10 if they are under the age of 14 for the week of 04 May to 08 May. There will be no onsite provision for students aged 14 years and over. Students at Year 10-13 can not be on site during Alert Level 3 and remain working on their online learning programmes.

Peter Jager, Deputy Principal is managing on site supervision for students and can be contacted on pjager@tacol.nz or 0272299488. Please contact Mr Peter Jager to arrange this as students must be added to the formal supervision roll.

For students in Year 9 and Year 10 who have registered for onsite supervision

We require all students who attend for supervision to comply with every aspect of our Health and Safety Plan for pandemic management.

- This will mean that all parts of the day including supervision, break and lunch will be controlled.
- **Students will be required to sign in at the Pavilion** and will be given designated entrances and exits in order to ensure social distancing. Please use the Follis Street back entrance for drop offs and pickups.
- Uniform is not required.

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- Lunchtimes and break times will be staggered again to ensure that students are able to manage their social distancing.
- The school canteen will not be available during the period of Level 3. Consequently all students who are attending for supervision should bring an adequate morning tea, lunch and drink.
- **Students will not be able to go off site for lunch.** The Pavilion kitchen can be used and it includes a fridge, a microwave, oven and sandwich press for student use to prepare or heat food.
- **If a student is ill or has been in contact with someone who is ill they should not be at school.**
- If students arrive at school and are visibly unwell parents will be required to collect them.

Absence and communication with the school

- If a registered student is absent we require parents / caregivers to make contact with the school. Please text, phone or email pjager@tacol.nz or **0272299488**. As we only have a skeleton staff on site text, email or phone call directly to Peter Jager will be the most effective form of communication regarding supervision..
- **For other school communication please email your students, teacher, Dean or Rebecca Johnson in the office.**
- **For deliveries or enquiries please email Rebecca Johnson to arrange this.** rjohnson@tacol.nz

Onsite timetable

The school is running an adjusted timetable for the onsite supervision groups, this is shown below. The groups will continue with their online or hardcopy learning programme that they have already been supplied. No specialist rooms eg labs or workshops or Gym will be available during the Level 3 period.

On site learning

Block 1, 8:45 – 10:30

Interval, 10:30 – 11

Block 2, 11 – 12:45

Lunch, 12:45 – 1:25

Block 3, 1:25 – 3.05

Finish, 3.05

For all other students continuing with remote learning

Our staff teams, Teachers, Heads of Learning, Form Teachers, Deans and Teachers aides continue to work really hard from their homes to provide learning programmes to all our online learners during Alert Level 3.



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Student contact with online teachers

Can we please again ask all parents and caregivers to ensure students check in with their teachers regularly and complete the set work. Please also expect a call or text from your students Form Teacher to provide an update on their learning progress.

Devices

If you are expecting a Ministry supplied device or connection and have yet to receive it, please be patient. Do let your **class teacher or form teacher** know if you haven't received it.. They will pass on the names to Mr Daroux. If you haven't asked for a device but need one also let your teacher know and they will pass on your name.

Please email Alex Daroux if you are having difficulty with a school device. adaroux@tacol.nz

If your student is struggling with the amount of work or have other issues that they want to discuss remember that despite working remotely our pastoral network is there to support you. Do raise any concerns that you have with their Dean or with Guidance counsellor.

Senior Leadership, Te Aroha College

Useful contacts for this week - On Site Crew for Alert Level 3

Senior Leadership

- Principal - hgorrie@tacol.nz, Heather Gorrie
- Deputy Principal - Onsite supervision, Peter Jager - pjager@tacol.nz or 0272299488.
- Deputy Principal -Health and Safety and Wellbeing, Sam Mortimer - smortimer@tacol.nz
- ICT support, Alex Daroux -- adaroux@tacol.nz
- Administration and Finance Support, R Johnson - rjohnson@tacol.nz
- Grounds and Site Management
Terry Martin - tmartin@tacol.nz
John Conway - jconway@tacol.nz

Available Online for student and staff support

School Counsellor

Joseph Hartzenburg - jhartzenburg@tacol.nz

School Nurse

Teresa McGovern - [tere-
sa.mcgovern@pinnacle.health.nz](mailto:teresa.mcgovern@pinnacle.health.nz) or phone her on 0226810929

All teaching staff and Deans

