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COVID-19 Update, 17 August 2021

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COVID-19 Update Tuesday 17 August 2021

Dear Parents, Whanau and Community

Government announcement – moving to Alert Level 4 for at least 3 days.

The Prime Minister announced today that we are moving to **Level 4 for the next 3 days** starting from 11.59 pm **Tuesday 17 August.** At Level 4 in the COVID-19 Alert Level structure people are instructed to stay at home. At this point the school will be closed for at least the next 3 days (Wednesday, Thursday, Friday). Will advise after the government announcement on Friday about what the following week.

Opening Hours

If you have any urgent questions or requests our administration and deans team are available by email. Reminder to students and caregivers that each subject has a google classroom that students can access from home. Students may contact their subject teachers via the Google Classroom platform.



Have you got our school app?

Stay informed, stay safe, download our school app here:

https://tearohacollege.apps.school.nz/install/





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Safety Practices for Level 4

Please ensure you continue to talk to your students about good hygiene practices and physical distancing. It's really important that students understand that from Wednesday they can not 'hang out together' socially. You can only be with the people you live with.

College Grounds Closed

The school grounds will be Formally Closed and no students should be on site from 11.59pm Tuesday 17 August until the College reopens.

Support Information

If your students need support they can email Joseph Hartzenburg, our School Guidance Counsellor on jhartzenburg@tacol.nz

Student Work Expectations

Students will now have access to their Google Classrooms for each of their subjects. All set work is available here and staff have been requested to check in regularly with their students.

Parents and caregivers have also been invited to join each google classroom and will also receive updates on class assignments.

School Chromebooks

We remind all parents that the School Chromebooks need to be looked after carefully during this time. If your student breaks or damages their Chromebook the School Policy will still apply, the school will be unable to arrange repair during school closure.

Finally please keep safe, stay home and support us all through this really tough time.

Senior Leadership Team
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New Zealand COVID-19 Alert Levels

- These alert levels specify the public health and social measures to be taken.
- The measures may be updated on the basis of (i) new scientific knowledge about COVID-19 and (ii) Information about the effectiveness of intervention measures in New Zealand and elsewhere.
- The alert levels may be applied at a town, city, territorial local authority, regional or national level.
- Different parts of the country may be at different alert levels. We can move up and down alert levels.
- In general, the alert levels are cumulative, e.g. Level 1 is a base-level response. Always prepare for the next level.

At all levels, health services, emergency services, utilities and goods transport, and other essential services, operations and staff, are expected to remain up and running. Employers in those sectors must continue to meet their health and safety obligations.



LEVEL

Level 4 - Eliminate

Likely that disease is not contained

RISK ASSESSMENT

- Sustained and intensive transmission
- Widespread outbreaks

RANGE OF MEASURES (can be applied locally or nationally)

- People instructed to stay at horr
- Educational facilities closed
- Businesses closed except for essential services (e.g. supermarkets, pharmacies, clinics) and lifeline utilities
- Rationing of supplies and requisitioning of facilities
- · Travel severely limited
- · Major reprioritisation of healthcare service

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Be kind. Check-in on the elderly or vulnerable.

Make a difference by:

- checking-in on any elderly or vulnerable people you know
- dropping supplies to those at home sick.

Find out more at Covid19.govt.nz

New Zealand Government

