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## Covid Response Update Friday 04 March 2022

Dear Parents and Whānau

We continue to have a growing number of active cases of Covid-19 in our community and school community. This has impacted our staffing ratios and our ability to offer a full onsite teaching programme. For next week - Week 6 we will continue our pre-planned systems of Hybrid Classroom Learning and Online Learning to ensure that we can still deliver quality education to our students as part of our Te Aroha College Covid-19 Response Plan. We ask for parental support to ensure students are engaged with their online google classrooms and are attending any set online lessons or meetings. Please contact the Year Level Deans if you have questions or concerns.

Thank you for your support through week five as we have made this transition to Hybrid Learning. We hope that this will only be a temporary measure as we move through the peak of this phase of the pandemic in our local community.

To ensure that everyone is able to remain safe while on the school site it is critical we all follow basic hygiene practices.

### **While on the school site:**

- Students and staff must correctly wear a mask inside at all times
- Students and staff must regularly wash their hands
- Students and staff must use hand sanitiser when they enter every class
- Students and staff must ensure physical distance wherever possible

### **If staff or students are symptomatic**

Students and staff with any cold, flu or respiratory symptoms **must stay home and get rapid antigen tested (RAT Test)**. These are available at the Spur Street Car Park Te Aroha pick up site 9am until 11am daily.

### **Recording Absence due to Covid**

If staff or students are a 'household contact' of a covid positive Covid case or test positive for Covid-19 they must stay home and self isolate following Ministry of Health Guidelines. Please phone Te Aroha College to let us know as students absentees must be coded correctly according to the MOE guidelines. For senior students any Covid related absence will not affect overall attendance and will allow for special assessment support if required.

### **For the Week of Monday 7th March to Friday 11th March - Hybrid Day Plan for Week 6**

Due to the significant number of staff away we will continue working with rolling year levels as outlined in Phase 3 of our Covid Response Plan which includes both Classroom Learning and Online Learning platforms.

- Monday 7th March Years 9, 12 and 13 attending
- Tuesday 8th March & Wednesday 9th March: Years 9, 10 and 11 attending

Thursday 10th March and Friday 11th March will be full online days (Friday timetable and Friday timetable) with everyone working from home with online lessons.

### **On Site Supervision**

For any students under the age of 14 unable to be supervised at home on Thursday or Friday supervision will be provided at Te Aroha College. Students who have poor internet access can also work from school. Please phone the Te Aroha College office to arrange this so we can have supervision plans in place.

The school lunch programme is still available to students attending.

All Primary Technology (Manuals) classes will be postponed next week.

If you have any questions or queries please feel free to contact the Te Aroha College Office [rjohnson@tacol.nz](mailto:rjohnson@tacol.nz) and she will be happy to direct you to who can answer these.

Heather Gorrie

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