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Covid Response Update Thursday 10th March 2022

Dear Parents and Whanau

We have seen a large increase in student active cases of Covid-19 in our community and school community in the past week. This continues to affect our staffing ratios and our ability to offer a full onsite teaching programme.

For next week - Week 7 we have made the decision to 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 continued parental support to ensure students are engaged with their online google classrooms and are attending any set online lessons or meetings along with attending on their set school days. Please contact the Year Level Deans if you have questions or concerns.

Thank you for your support through Week 6 as we continue our Hybrid Learning programme. 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

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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 9.30am until 11.30am 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.

School Contact Required

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.

Absence from Online Learning

If students are absent from online lessons please expect an email or call from the year level Dean reminding them to be online when required. Students who we have recorded as absent due to illness are not expected to participate in online lessons but work is still available if they are well enough.

For the Week of Monday 14th March to Friday 18th March - Hybrid Day Plan for Week 7

Due to the significant number of staff and students 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 14th March Years 9, 10 and 11 attending
- Tuesday 15th March & Wednesday 16th March: Years 9, 12 and 13 attending

Thursday 17th March and Friday 18th March will be full online days (Monday 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 after consultation with our Primary schools.

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

Heather Gorrie
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