

COVID Update  
1 March 2022

# news

Kahurangi  
SCHOOL

## Kia ora Kahurangi whānau

I'm writing to give you a brief update in regards to Covid-19 matters.

Since my communication last Friday unsurprisingly we have had an increase in the total number of our children who have tested positive with Covid. We're also hearing of families who are needing to isolate because someone in their household has Covid. Currently the number of children with Covid is 10 and we also have a staff member with it. The classes affected by confirmed student cases are Waka Rimu Rua (taught by Julia) and Waka Rimu Toru (taught by Emma M).

Our thoughts are with these affected students and families and we're wishing those who are sick a speedy recovery. It is good to hear though that many of them are already recovering (or recovered) so are now just waiting for their isolation period to end.

As I've shared lots of times before, it is very important that no one is coming to school who is sick and we're all monitoring for symptoms in our tamariki and ourselves. Potential symptoms are;



Less common symptoms include, nausea, vomiting, chest pain, abdominal pain or confusion/irritability.

As cases increase within our school I won't be updating you too often. I will however, let you know when there is a confirmed case of Covid within your child's class or when there are confirmed cases across most classes in the school. Remembering though, that if there is, it doesn't mean your child will be sent home or isn't allowed to come to school. School is open for all children who are well.

Some whānau are choosing to keep their children home right now because you're feeling nervous about them contracting Covid and we're quite comfortable with this decision. If this is the case for your whānau we just ask that you let us know. We want to be able to make sure your children have a learning pack so they can engage in some school learning while at home. If you do this, we can mark them as engaging in school learning and will not mark them as absent.

I do want to pre-warn you there might be a time when we are forced to close the school to on-site learning. This would most likely happen if we have lots of teachers away sick or isolating and we can't find relievers. We would do our best to give you as much notice as possible if this was the case.

On the back of this letter I've included a simple flowchart again about what you need to do if you are in contact with Covid.

Whānau please reach out if you have any further questions or concerns.

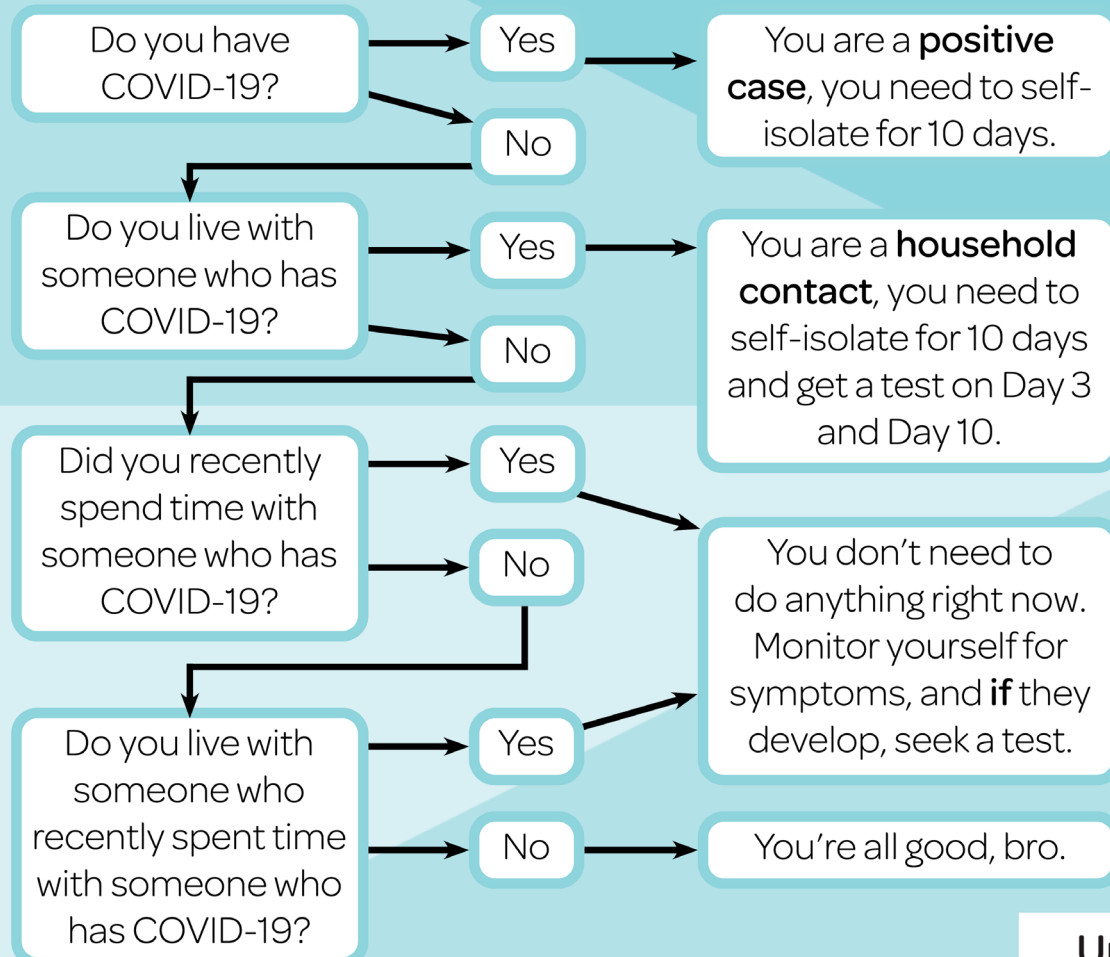
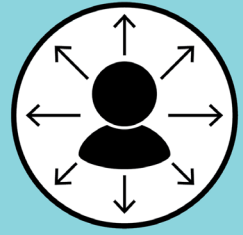
Ngā manaakitanga,

Kyran Smith | PRINCIPAL

P.S. It's wonderful to have Stage 1 of our courts completed. Our tamariki got to play on them today and are loving the new basketball hoops. Stage 2 starts in a couple of months when the new asphalt has completely dried out.

On another note, we need our old netball hoops cut up so they can be put in the skip. I was wondering if any we have any whānau with a grinder that could cut them up for us. Please get in contact if you could do this or you know of someone who could.

# What type of **contact** are you?



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