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Dear Green Bay School Whanau

We have taken enquiries from a couple of families who are in 'dire need' of a Chromebook or hard copies. For this reason, we are going to prepare items for collection over this weekend abiding by the following Ministry of Education protocols.

In addition to staff being able to go onsite to prepare and arrange for delivery of hard pack materials and devices, <u>an exemption has now been granted</u> so that **in limited circumstances**, some parents and caregivers will be able to come onto a school or early learning site in order to collect materials or devices to support distance learning.

The conditions for this exemption are-

Parents and caregivers can access a school or early learning service site in order to collect education resources from their education provider, where:

- 1. those resources are necessary to enable the student to participate in remote learning through their education provider; **and**
- 2. it has not been feasible or possible for the education provider to deliver or arrange for the delivery of the education resources to the student. For example, where it is not practical or safe to arrange for delivery or the education provider has been unable to obtain an address for the student.

Therefore, if you are in urgent need of either a Chromebook or hard copies for your child, please:

- Email <u>cheryIm@greenbay.school.nz</u> to advise what you need, your child's name, Year level and room number
- You will be given a 15min timeline to walk into the main teacher carpark (Godley Road) to pick up
- You MUST scan the COVID-19 QR code on the main gate
- You MUST be masked
- You MUST be alone
- If you are unwell, DO NOT come on-site
- If you miss your timeslot, you are not to turn up (get back in touch via email)

We expect this collection process to run smoothly and contactless, provided the above rules are adhered to.

I cannot stress enough how concerning it is that the closeness of a few *local places of interest* along with the added two new schools' positive COVID-19 cases today are weighing heavy on my mind. My staff are a priority in this Delta variant climate, and I want to emphasize to GBS families that in order to keep us all safe, do not risk coming on-site if you are unwell, or if you know that you should be self-isolating at home.

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Anand Muthoo Principal Green Bay School