

22 July 2022

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Parent/Caregiver Protocols Under Orange Effective Monday 25 July 2022:

1. To help stop the spread of Covid and other winter illnesses, all parents/caregivers are strongly encouraged to be masked when entering our school. This may help us to keep our school open.
2. If we experience major staff shortages during this winter period due to Covid and/or other winter illnesses, we may be forced to move to online learning. We hope this does not occur at our school and therefore ask that you please support us in our drive to keep our students learning onsite by following these Parent/Caregiver Protocols.
3. School starts at 8.50am and finishes at 2.55pm, all students to be proudly in correct school uniform.
4. As guided by the Ministry of Education and Ministry of Health, *it is now strongly recommended that all schools and kura amend their mask protocols for the first four weeks of term to require mask wearing in all indoor settings for students in Years 4 and above.* We will advise whether it may be necessary to extend the mask protocols beyond the first four weeks of Term 3 after that time.
5. Please make sure that your child/children come to school ready to wear masks. Students should bring masks from home. If students cannot bring masks from home, they will be supplied one from school.
6. All school gates (including junior carpark gate) will open at 8.30am and 2.50pm daily.
7. Main office gate will be unlocked (but shut) all day. For Health and Safety reasons, all other school gates will be locked from 8.50am until 2.50pm. Late comers and parent/caregiver visitors need to sign in at the school office on entry please.
8. We have been very impressed with our students entering and exiting the school on their own during last term, giving them a sense of independence and responsibility. Please continue to support this independence.
9. No lunch orders or breakfast club will be available until further notice.
10. As we are an Enviro school, please promote/provide a 'litterless' lunchbox for your child.
11. Every child must bring their own named water bottle to school every day (no sharing of food or water).
12. All students will be dismissed at 2.55pm. School gates will be unlocked at 2.50pm. Please have after-school pick-up plans in place.
13. Continue with good hygiene practices; wear your face mask, regular hand washing/sanitising, cough and sneeze etiquette, if you are sick with [COVID-19 symptoms](#), please get tested. If your child is sick, please keep them home.
14. Continue to advise school whenever there is a positive case within your household.
15. If your child is sent to the sickbay from the classroom due to being unwell, you will be telephoned to collect your child from school.
16. Be kind and respectful to each other.

**These protocols are subject to change as we get further information.
Thank you for your continued support, understanding and patience.**

Regards



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Principal

Green Bay School