

Kia orana, Tolafa lava, Malo e lelei, Fakalofa lahi ahu, Ni sa bula, Namaste

Kia ora Parents and whānau

Firstly, thank you so much for your understanding and continued support during these difficult times. It continues to be frustrating as we would love to see all students at SKP taking part in all the awesome learning that happens in our classes! Please remember that our teachers, unless they are sick, are still available to talk to you via phone or their school email.

Below I have tried to answer a few of the frequently asked questions.

Who do we advise if my child tests positive for Covid-19?

Please contact Kathy Davidson (Principal) as soon as possible after you have been informed of a positive test result. principal@skp.school.nz OR admin@skp.school.nz OR ph: (09) 275 4455

What actions does the school take when there is a positive case?

We follow the process set for us by the Ministry of Education, and from this we can identify who fits the criteria for being a Contact. We inform the Ministry of Education of all positive cases. We try to inform families if their child is considered a contact. We do not disclose the names of students who are positive.

My child is a contact. What does this mean?

This means your child may have had contact with a positive case but can continue to come to school every day.

You and your whānau should watch for symptoms. If any develop, get tested immediately and then stay at home until you receive the result.

My child has tested positive for Covid-19. What does this mean?

This will mean that your child will need to isolate for ten days. All family members will be household contacts and also need to isolate. The day of the test is Day 0. Tell the school straight away, and other people your child has been in contact with. Most people with COVID-19, especially if they are fully vaccinated and boosted, are likely to have a mild to moderate illness and will be fine to self-manage.

If you need any advice on how to treat your child's symptoms or have worsening symptoms, talk to your healthcare provider or call Healthline on [0800 358 5453](tel:08003585453).

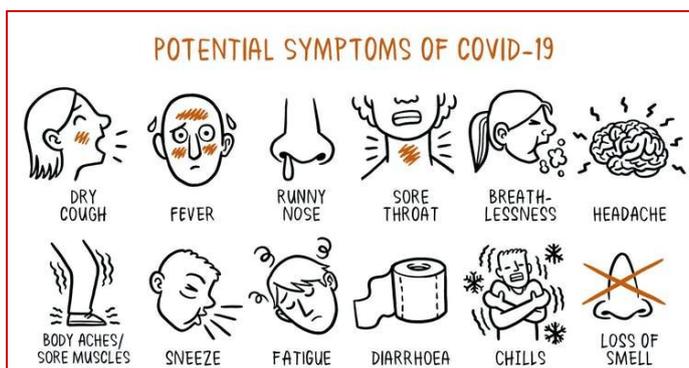
If it is an emergency and you need urgent medical help call [111](tel:111) immediately. Tell them your child has COVID-19 when you call. This can include if you or someone you care for has:

- severe shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- severe chest pain or discomfort
- difficulty waking up or is very drowsy.

You will not have to pay for any COVID-19 related medical costs.

A member of our household has tested positive. What does this mean?

This will mean that your child will be a Household contact and also needs to isolate for ten days. A household contact if someone who lives in the same house as you OR a residential care facility, OR a



guest that has spent at least one night and day in the same house as someone who is infectious. The Ministry of Health should provide more guidance.

When can my child come back to school after testing Positive for Covid?

After testing positive for covid, and IF your child is well and has no more symptoms, they can return to school on Day 11.

When can my child come back to school after being a Household Contact?

Your child needs to isolate at home for 10 days.

Your child needs to have a test for COVID on **Day 3** and **Day 10**.

If at any time your child develops symptoms of covid, get a test.

IF your child has had a Negative result from their day 10 test, and are well with no Covid symptoms, they can return to school on Day 11.

My child is feeling unwell (e.g. cough, headache, sore throat etc) Can I still send them to school?

Because these are all symptoms of Covid, please do not send your child to school. While these may be the normal bugs/sniffles that occur, we encourage you to get your child tested.

Is it safe to send my child to school?

School is as safe as we can make it. If your child is not a Household contact, then school is still open for them and we encourage you to send them to school as much as you can.

As you know, our students have missed a lot of teaching and learning over the past two years, and we really want to see them at school as much as possible.

Our school health and safety plan for Red does contain a large number of protections.

My child is anxious or scared. What advice do you have?

Our staff are working hard to make school fun, safe and a place of learning. We encourage you to focus on the things that they can do to help - mask-wearing (if they will tolerate it), washing hands, getting a test (if required). Please make contact with our leadership team if you would like additional support. This website has some useful tips - <https://www.kidshealth.org.nz>

My child needs to be isolated at home. What support will school provide around teaching and learning?

Unless they are sick, our teachers are in regular contact with those students who are self-isolating. If a child is a positive case they are not expected to work as they are home to rest and get well.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Syndicate Leader for your child's class, or myself:

Kathy Davidson: Principal / Tumuaki principal@skp.school.nz 0211955855 / 275 4455

Teeshan Padayatchi: Deputy Principal: teeshan.padayatchi@skp.school.nz
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SKP Rooms 6, 7, 8, Mangere College Satellite Classes

Kia kaha and faamalosi whānau!