

7 March 2022

Dear Parents / Family / Whānau

Over these past few weeks our goal has been to minimise the impact of the COVID pandemic on our students' face-to-face learning. Unfortunately, we are continuing to bear the impact of COVID-19 within our school along with the associated impact on the attendance of our students and staff.

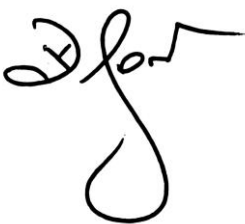
Our most recent data highlights the fact that we have additional staff and students who have become recent close contacts or have tested positive, and are required to be absent from school for ten days. Given this situation, we have little choice other than to roster home all of our senior students (Year 11, 12 and 13 students) for three days beginning Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> March. All senior students will engage with distance learning via Google Classroom for these three days.

Once again, senior students who do not have access to devices are still able to attend school and will have access to a computer lab so they can continue to connect with their teachers remotely. These students are asked to assemble at the library at the beginning of the day.

It is my hope that this additional time away from school will mean that we have sufficiently impacted the transmission cycle so as to allow face to face learning to resume as normal from the week beginning 14 March.

Thank you for your continued support of our school.

Yours sincerely



Russell Gordon  
**Principal**