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Dear Parents / Family / Whānau

As you will all be aware, New Zealand has been experiencing a significant increase in its daily tally of COVID-19 cases over the past week. As a college we have not been immune to this phenomena and have experienced a noticeable increase in the number of students and staff who have also been affected.

To date we have been able to cope with the impacts of these increasing numbers, but we are anticipating that a significant number of our teaching staff will be unable to be in front of their class for the remainder of this week. This combined with lower student attendance has meant that we have had to readjust how we are teaching.

Therefore we have made the decision to roster home our senior students (Year 11, 12 and 13) on Wednesday to Friday, the 2nd March to 4th of March. These students will continue their schooling via distance learning across these three days. Teachers will be monitoring and meeting with their classes across the three days.

Senior students who do not have access to devices are still able to attend school and we will locate them in a computer lab so they can access their learning. These students are asked to assemble at the library at the beginning of the day.

There will be pockets of senior assessment still occurring across the three days which may necessitate senior students attending school in person. These students will be contacted by their respective teachers if this is the case.

At this stage we are anticipating that all students and staff will be back to school as normal on Monday 7th March. But we will continue to be responsive to these ever changing times.

Sincerely



Russell Gordon
Principal