



12th September 2021

Communication to Community

Tēnā koutou katoa e te whānau whānui o Rangitoto,

Should we move to Level 3 in the coming week, supervised study will be available for any child in Year 9 or 10 who is unable to be supervised at home. Due to the Delta strain of the virus, rules on social distancing and bubble size in schools are stricter than before. Students will attend their online classes as if they were studying at home and should meet in the auditorium foyer at 8:40am. Social distancing measures and public health hygiene protocols will be in place. Any student who is unwell must not attend this supervised study and should seek medical advice. We ask the parents of any student in Year 9 or 10 who requires their child to attend to contact the appropriate Dean to advise the school in order for us to plan the staffing required for this supervision.

When Auckland moves to Level 2, we intend to be back in school as soon as practicably possible.

Student Wellbeing

We continue to encourage students to contact our Guidance team through the Ranginet booking system, [click here](#) should they be struggling to cope at any stage through this lockdown period.

Teaching and learning programmes

As we continue to operate in Lockdown, some teachers may mandate individual students to attend the 'optional' Q and A session. If this is the case, the classroom teacher will specify this in the Google Meet invite thus ensuring the Meet appears in the students Google Calendar. This is to ensure all of our students remain on track to achieve their academic potential. Given the proximity to exams for all students: Entrance Exams, NCEA, IB and Junior Exams, this additional teaching and learning time will be becoming increasingly essential. Thank you for your support encouraging your son or daughter to attend.

Careers Advice & Pathways Virtual Experience

For those parents of, and students in Y10 and 11 who are yet to access the Virtual Pathways Experience, we encourage you to utilise [these online resources](#) to help make informed subject choices for 2022.

Year 10 students are expected to complete their 2022 subject choices by Monday 13th September. All Year 10 students have received an email with the instructions and a link to enter their selections. Please ensure your son / daughter has completed this process by the close of Monday.

Year 11 and 12 students are not required to select their subjects for 2022 until Week 3 of next term. As these students will be busy with school exams during the first two weeks of Term 4, we advise students who require assistance with making informed subject and career choices, to book an online

appointment before the holidays with our Head of Careers, Mrs Fenton. Please [click here](#) to access bookings.

Student Engagement

Teachers continue to see fantastic engagement from our students in online lessons. The attendance rates have been very good over the lockdown period. We have noted that there is a mid-week struggle for a small number of students and would ask parents/caregivers to support their child by encouraging them to continue engagement throughout the week and to monitor their attendance. Content taught throughout the lockdown period will not be re-taught when we return to campus.

School Exams

School exams have been shifted to October 19th - October 29th for years 11 to 13. Updated exam timetables are viewable by students in PC School in the 'reports' tab of the 'Student Information' section. If students have a clash between a regular exam and a workshop session, they are expected to attend the regular exam and liaise with their workshop teacher about rescheduling that session.

Thank you for your ongoing support during this extended lockdown period. Hopefully this week will see a continued reduction in case numbers, and we can begin to look forward to a return to school.

Best wishes



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