



25 March 2022

Rangitoto College Week 9 Newsletter

Covid 19 Update:

The number of positive Covid cases that our community is experiencing continues to reduce on a weekly basis. Our average positive case number per day for this week has been 11, and the number of students and staff returning to school from self-isolation requirements increases daily. Our attendance rates are very good, and we thank you for your continued support and recognition of the importance of having your child attend school for both educational, social and mental wellbeing reasons.

Please continue to notify the school of all positive Covid-19 cases, as well as those who are self-isolating due to being Household Contacts. Please refer to the flowchart [link](#) and complete the [Google Form](#) for all positive cases.

Based on the announcement earlier this week of changes to the red-light traffic system from 11:59pm Friday 25 March, we will not be requiring students and staff to wear masks outdoors from Monday next week when at school. Masks will continue to be required to be worn for indoor environments. We believe the use of masks at Rangitoto College has helped to minimise transmission of Covid and thank all students and staff for their continuing respect shown in wearing masks. Should students and staff choose to wear masks outdoors from Monday, we encourage them to do so.

Parent Teacher dates:

Given our inability to currently host parent teacher interviews on site, we have made the decision to move these to term 2, starting in week 3. We are developing two options: a virtual meet if we remain in the Red traffic light setting, or our preferred option of an in person meet if we have moved to Orange. Booking details will be released to parents via email when we have a better understanding of the likely traffic light setting.

Sport:

We wish a number of our summer sports teams the best of luck with important fixtures and tournaments due to take place this weekend. Our Sports Department have been delighted with the numbers signing up to play sport in 2022; all winter sports teams will be finalised over the next week with players informed of their selections. We kindly ask that all winter sports fees are paid by 22nd of April, further instructions will be emailed to parents. Players who have not paid by this date may not be able to participate. Please contact the Director of Sport, Mr. Trevor Meiklejohn, for hardship assistance if needed.

I hope you and your family have a good weekend.

Kind regards

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