

# Bayview Primary School

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Kia Ora Bayview Whānau

## **Wahoo we did it! We are going to alert level 1!**

You will be aware that on Monday 8th June the Prime Minister informed the country that we are moving to alert level 1 on Tuesday 9th June. In alert level 1 we will continue to have protocols around what we must do including:

- a) Ensuring we continue to have rigorous hygiene procedures in place and the materials to do this with.
- b) Ensure that the covid-19 contact tracing app is available around the school.
- c) Continuing to encourage physical distancing as good practice.

We have found (as have all other schools in New Zealand) that over the last three weeks, our Bayview students have developed greater self-management skills and independence through our drop off and pick up procedures. Surprisingly, reduced anxiety has been evident with parents not dropping learners directly at the classroom. Teachers are valuing the uninterrupted 1-1 connection time with their learners from 8.30am. As we move towards Level 1, we would like to continue these practices as much as possible to maintain the growth we have seen.

### **BENEFITS THAT WE HAVE OBSERVED:**

- ★ Student independence is high
- ★ There has been a huge reduction in separation anxiety as students have built their independence
- ★ Student organisation and self management have improved
- ★ Relationships with teacher and student have strengthened
- ★ Less traffic congestion around the gates
- ★ Less/no noise outside the classrooms during learning time (particularly at the end of the day where it is very distracting)

We would like to outline the procedures we have in place for alert level 1 to keep your children and our staff safe and to comply with the directions of the Ministry of Education and Ministry of Health. Please know that every decision we have made is based on the safety of all our children and follows the advice of the experts. Some of our procedures have been in place since before Covid-19 and we would just like to remind you of these.

<b>Ministry of Health Guidelines</b>	<b>Bayview School Procedures</b>
<b>Hygiene</b> Good hygiene practices are the best defence against illness.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● We have multiple supplies of hand sanitiser in classrooms and other areas of the school.</li><li>● Children will be expected to use the hand sanitiser every time they enter the classroom and throughout the day.</li><li>● Please continue to go over hand hygiene with your child i.e. especially after washing their hands after going to the toilet and drying their hands properly!</li><li>● Whilst your child has their own supplies of stationery, we will begin to reintroduce communal class supplies where appropriate.</li><li>● Classes will continue to have allocated toilet blocks to use.</li><li>● Our heating system has been turned on as the minimum class temperature must be 18 degrees.</li><li>● Teachers will continue to disinfect commonly touched areas in and around their classroom daily as well as classroom equipment.</li><li>● Students will continue to be encouraged to cough or sneeze into their</li></ul>

	<p>elbows.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Please do not send your child to school if they are sick.</li> <li>● Students who become sick during the day will have to go home.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Coming onto the school grounds</b>  Contact tracing is not required in school at drop off or pick up. Visitors during the day must still sign in at the office.  We encourage parents to download the Governments covid-19 tracer app as we have QR codes for this.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Parents will be asked to download the NZ Covid-19 Tracking app and to scan the Bayview School QR code on entry to the school when they enter the school grounds. Please note this is a special QR code that has been made specifically for Bayview School.</li> <li>● If you need to speak with your child's teacher please try to do this via email or Seesaw. Teachers are expected to be building relationships and working with children from 8.30am each morning</li> </ul> <p><b><u>BEFORE SCHOOL DROP OFF</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● We encourage as many parents as possible to kiss and drop at the gate or drop off next to the car and allow their children to walk themselves into school. The children will continue to go straight into class to be ready for learning and build relationships with their peers and teacher.</li> <li>● We ask that parents who come into the school grounds drop their child off at the classroom door. We ask that no parents enter the classrooms or the cloak bays and that parents do not congregate on the decks. Please allow your child to continue on being independent and to carry their own bag and sort out their things ready for the start of the day. This is building independence and resilience.</li> <li>● Parents who come on site please: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Use hand sanitiser</li> <li>● Scan the QR code</li> <li>● Please make sure you have left before 9am (as the children need to start their day)</li> <li>● Stay out of classrooms/cloak bays and off decks</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b><u>AFTER SCHOOL PICK UP</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Our year 0 and 1 students can be collected by parents at 2.50pm from classrooms. The rest of the children will be dismissed at 3pm.</li> <li>● Parents who come onsite please wait for your child on the court area outside classrooms. Please time your arrival appropriately, remember this is about keeping our children safe and reducing the disruption to learning!</li> <li>● Please do not wait on decks or directly outside classroom doorways as this creates congestion and is disruptive to our learners. Please be mindful of the noise you make as this can be distracting for the children.</li> <li>● Parents who come on site please: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Use hand sanitiser</li> <li>● Scan the QR code</li> <li>● Please stay out of classrooms/cloak bays and off decks</li> </ul> </li> <li>● The lower carpark will continue to be chained before and after school to stop vehicles that do not have a special pass. Please do not enter this carpark to drop off or pick up, this is for EVERY child's safety.</li> <li>● Please do not pull into the top carpark before or after school to drop your child off/pick them up unless you have a special pass.</li> <li>● The office will be open but please use hand sanitiser on entry and exit. If you have a question our preferred form of contact is still via phone <a href="tel:094442222">(09)4442222</a> or email: <a href="mailto:office@bayview.school.nz">office@bayview.school.nz</a></li> <li>● If your child has an appointment and you need to pick them up during the school day, please phone ahead to let us know. We will then have your child ready with their school bag at the office for you to collect so you do not have</li> </ul>

	<p>to wait around. Either you or Shannon will be able to sign them out on the tablet in the office.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● We ask that all parents remain mindful of physical distancing and use this as good practice at drop off and pick up. To avoid congestion you may like to consider an alternative pick up point away from the school, e.g. by the dairy, or waiting until just after 3pm and picking your child up from the fale.</li> <li>● After school we expect all children to go straight home.</li> <li>● Children attending before or after school care will need to abide by the rules of each provider.</li> <li>● Children will not be able to wait in the school office for parents or after school care providers to pick them up. The fale's are available for children to wait in.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Physical Distancing</b> – Physical distancing although not required is still recommended as good practice.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Our communal drinking fountains will become available but we still encourage your child to bring in their own named, refillable drink bottle.</li> <li>● School milk will resume in term 3.</li> <li>● Breakfast club will be available from 8.20am - 8.45am in individual classrooms.</li> <li>● All play equipment and resources will be open for the students during the day, i.e. PE shed, sandpit, etc</li> <li>● The children will continue to be able to bring their own bikes and scooters and helmets to school to use at break times.</li> <li>● Please do not send your child to school if they are sick!</li> <li>● We will continue to provide virtual school assemblies and share these on Seesaw for the rest of term 2. Children will receive learning certificates from teachers and a photograph of this sent to the recipients parents via Seesaw. This will be reviewed for term 3.</li> <li>● Classrooms will continue to maximise the ability for physical distancing.</li> <li>● Parent/Grandparent volunteers will be able to return to school to assist with learning (when they personally feel safe to do so).</li> <li>● Visits from our local ECE providers will resume.</li> <li>● NE school visits will resume.</li> <li>● Our library will be open but very strict hygiene routines must be followed.</li> <li>● Special programmes will resume i.e. reading recovery, ESOL, etc.</li> <li>● Choir resumed on Monday 8th June (Year 4-6).</li> </ul>

Thank you for your patience and support as we have moved through the different alert levels. Together we have kept **all** our children safe. It has taken a collective consciousness to gain the positive trends that we have. The science behind wellness states clearly that finding the positives in any situation and having gratitude develops healthy mindsets. This is the time to build on the positives from this experience and not slip back into bad habits. Let's keep moving forward together. Our aim is to continue to build on the many successes we have had during the different alert levels and the different ways we have been creative around the delivery of the curriculum, this means you will notice some changes. Please know that we put the students, your children, at the centre of every decision we have and will make!  
We are excited to invite you back onsite and creating our new normal alongside you :)

He waka eke noa.

We are all in this together / we got this!

Warm regards,  
Di Raynes, Shelley Matuku, Jacob Allison