



Kia ora koutou

We are now all in Alert Level 4 which means that our Kura will not be open from today, for anyone. This follows someone being identified with COVID-19 and who has been in the Auckland and Coromandel communities while believed to be infectious.

It is important we do everything we can to keep ourselves and those around us safe. Alert Level 4 means we need to stay home in our bubbles and avoid any travelling as much as possible.

Supermarkets, pharmacies, food banks and other essential services will be open – but remember to wear a face covering if you are out and about (even a scarf wrapped around your mouth and nose will help).

Check in using the **NZ COVID Tracer App** wherever you go, keep a distance from people you don't know and wash your hands well and often. You can download the NZ COVID Tracer App at the **App Store** for apple devices and **Google Play** for Android devices.

Government Advice and Information

Please go to the Ministry of Health <https://www.health.govt.nz/> website if you recently visited the Auckland or the Coromandel region. There is a [list of locations](#) the confirmed case has visited while they were considered to be infectious. If you were at one of those locations and at the same time as specified on the website, then please follow the relevant instructions to isolate and potentially get tested. Please keep checking that webpage as new locations may be identified over time.

Further information about Alert Level 4 can be found on the <https://covid19.govt.nz/> website

Over the next 3 days we will watch to see what happens as COVID-19 test results come back from around the country and we will follow the advice and guidance of the Ministry of Education about what this means for our Kura and learning.

As a staff we are taking the next day or so to organize ourselves and our whanau. Should Alert Level 4 be extended beyond this week we will then move to a distance learning approach.

School Contact

If you have any general inquiries, urgent questions or concerns, or need any assistance during the time the school is closed please email: office@koraunui.school.nz this email address will be checked by me, Gillian McPeake and the office staff regularly during this time. We will do all we can to provide support and advice during this time.

We will be putting out regular updates about our school and plans while the school is closed. This information will be on our **Facebook page**, **emails** and **school website** <https://koraunui.school.nz/>, please check these regularly for communication from the school. A key message time would be around **3pm each day**

As the week progresses teachers will be in contact with their classes to check in and see how everyone is going. If you or your child need to contact your teacher, you can do this via email. Teachers email addresses are;

Room 23 maria.joe@koraunui.school.nz, Room 4 dale.ritossa@koraunui.school.nz,

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KCC

KCC is closed until we receive instructions that we can safely provide these services again. This is likely to be at Alert Level 2 as in the past.

Looking yourself and after each other:

Kindness is an incredibly powerful way to show you are united against COVID-19.

You can make a huge difference by following all advice given by the Government and Ministry of Health to minimise the impact of COVID-19.

- We need to look after the elderly and those who are unwell and ensure that those who have high health risks are safeguarded as much as possible.
- Take care of each other, make sensible decisions, keep to routines at home, shop sensibly, and stay connected, in person and online to friends and family.
- We will get through this again, but the more we can do to stay safe and isolated, the more we will be able to minimise the impact of COVID-19 on us all.

Remember to keep washing those hands and keep up social distance as much as possible.

Ngā mihi nui

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