

Thursday 25th November 2021



TeAtatū
INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

COVID level 3 Newsletter - #15 -Term 4 – Week 6

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I would like to start this newsletter this week with a huge 'Thank you' parents, for the support of the new regulations around coming back to school – we have had around 70% of Year 7 students and 73% of Year 8 students return for their alternate day programme. It's hard to believe that today is day 100 of the Auckland lockdown. All students who have returned, have followed the new rules exceptionally well, and have adapted well to the changes we have had to make to ensure we are as safe as we can possibly be. It has been fantastic to see them back, and following the new [routines](#) and [reconnecting](#) with each other again and their teacher.

I have been involved in Ministry of Education Zoom meetings weekly, where the latest information is shared to schools – updates occur regularly. They are doing a stunning job in getting information out. Again, the core class bubble rules are;

- 1) Mask wearing at all times inside**
- 2) Keeping socially distanced – 1m inside / 2m outside**
- 3) Ventilation flow – all windows /doors to be wide open allowing air circulation**
- 4) No sharing of food/drink – hence drink bottles are important to bring daily**

Following these rules allows for mitigation of Covid risk, to keep all students and staff as safe as possible across the school day.

Vaccination status for students - Schools are now required to keep a COVID-19 vaccine register for students and staff. If your child is 12 or older, they are eligible for the vaccine. We need to know if your child has had their first or second vaccine dose (or is exempt from being vaccinated). This information will be held by us in accordance with the Privacy Act and will only be shared with public health authorities.

Please click [here](#) to complete the **Student Vaccination Status form**. If your child is not eligible for the vaccine, please also indicate this on the form.

Chromebooks – All Chromebooks that have been lent out to students for online learning will need to be returned to school **between Monday 6th - Wednesday 8th December** to Mr Andrews in the Creative Media room. Please make sure the student's name and room number are written on a piece of paper and placed inside the Chromebook to assist with the checking off when returned. This will allow Mr Andrews time to organise the computer pods and get them sorted and ready for 2022.

If you have a device, but your child is **not** attending or returning to school, they can be dropped off at the school office. If for any reason you are unable to return them to school, contact Mr Steve Collins (steve.c@teatatu.school.nz) to arrange the return. Please make sure Chromebook and charger are returned. Many thanks, your support in this is appreciated.

Netball – Whaea Ngaire would like to have **ALL** Te Atatū Intermediate Netball players to **URGENTLY** return their netball uniforms. Uniforms can be placed in the **box outside Room 3**. Please let Whaea Ngaire know so she can check your return off her list. Thank you.

Year 8 Graduating sweatshirts payment reminder - If you have ordered a sweatshirt, please make payment- There are 2 ways to pay;

1. Via Kindo - this can be accessed via school website
2. School bank account -**School Bank Details:**

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Please make sure you put your child's name and sweatshirt in the subject line.

TAI enrolling for 2022 – We are still requiring enrolments of students yet to enrol from our in zone (Te Atatū Peninsula home zone) If you know of any Year 6 current students who have not yet enrolled, please encourage them to enrol as soon as possible – enrolment forms can be found under Enrolments on the school website – www.teatatu.school.nz

Rutherford College – **Enrolling 2022** - If you are still needing to enrol at Rutherford College please contact the school office. They will refer you to the year 9 Dean who will arrange for you to enrol before the end of the year if possible.

Asthma NZ – Asthma NZ have put together a source of information that helps parents to look after their children/young people who have a respiratory condition in what essentially is a respiratory pandemic. Whilst this is a potentially fearful time for many parents, there are many things that can be done to be prepared. [Click here.](#)

Tuck shop – Unfortunately, the Covid lockdown has impacted on the owners of the Tuck Shop business and they are unable to continue this in 2022. We are now looking for someone to take over the running of the Te Atatū Intermediate School Tuck Shop for next year. Any queries, please contact Tere Tamarua (Whaea Tere- tere.t@teatatu.school.nz)

Have a great rest of the weekend and a relaxing weekend – Till next Thursday;

Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou katoa, noho haumarū.

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Principal / Tumuaki
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