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Talofa,

Although we are still at Alert level 3, we are looking forward to Alert level 2. Windley School will be open for all students and staff to return on Monday 18th May. We are very excited to be able to welcome students back to school.

The government has said that it is safe to come to school. The expectation is that all students will return unless your child is sick. If you have a sick child then they must stay home and be cleared by the doctor before coming back to school. Whānau and students will need to meet the Ministry of Health expectations and behaviour.

For the school to meet the Ministry of Health expectations we may have to re-arrange our rooms for social distancing and re-set expectations for the students

Some frequently asked questions.

What happens if my child does not attend school?

Windley School will not continue to provide home learning, either as digital or hard copy work for students. The students who stay home will have the Ministry of Education home learning packs that they can use and some online resources that are currently available.

Do I have to let the school know my child will be at school?

It would be helpful for us to know the numbers of students attending. If your child is attending school and is absent for the day please contact us as normal.

How does the drop-off to school work?

As we get used to Level Two all whānau must stay out of the school classrooms. Please drop off and pick up students from the school gates or car park. Late students will still go to the office to register. Whānau contact the office by phone rather than in person. The less physical contact the better for tracing purposes.

What happens if my child is sick?

If your child is sick please do not send them to school.

If your child becomes unwell during the day we will call you, please arrange to have them collected.

How will students move around the school?

We will be asking students to be very careful while at school, we will discuss the 1m distance and how it works in the classroom as well as in the playground. Students from the same family or bubble will not be allowed to touch each other as the other students will see and copy. The office will accept one person at a time (just like the shops). Please wait outside until the office area is clear. There will be no school assemblies.

What will morning tea and lunchtime be like?

Students will be encouraged to play non-contact games. There will be no shared PE equipment at this stage. There should be no sharing of food. There will be breakfast club between 7.30am and 8.30am.

There will be no lunch orders.

Will the playground be open during school hours?

The school playground will be open for students to use, students will wash their hands before and after break times.

How will the school be cleaned?

The school is thoroughly cleaned each day. Each classroom also has hand sanitizer, cleaner, and cloths. A staff member is dedicated to cleaning all high touch areas frequently during the day.

How will students use the bathrooms?

We will limit the number of students who can be in the outside toilets to one at a time. Most classes have their own toilet. We will discuss with students the need to wash their hands thoroughly.

What happens if my child cannot meet the expectations?

The behaviour expectations in Level 2 are for everyone's Health and Safety. If your child is not able to keep their distance, is silly about breathing on others, or will not obey teacher instructions then you might be asked to collect them from school. We need to be able to keep everyone safe and well. This is a time for us to practice our PB4L expectations

- Be safe
- Be responsible
- Be respectful

What will teaching and learning be like at school?

While staff will try to ensure that learning is as normal as possible but, with the need to have more distancing within the classroom, there might be some changes and less shared equipment for students to be using.

Can I meet my child's teacher?

Staff will be able to answer any questions by email, phone, text, or through the office.

We hope that at Level One we will be able to schedule some type of meeting for the end of the term to discuss students' learning.

What happens to the resources I have received from school?

Please return any devices and books to school with your child.

Kia kaha, kia maia, kia manawanui,

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