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Update #9: New COVID19 Protection Framework (CPF) "Traffic Light"

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Kia ora, Mālō ē lelei, Talofa lava, Kia Orāna, Kamusta, Salam

Big thanks parents and whānau for your support and understanding with our safety measures in place as students and staff have returned to School in the past three weeks! We've been so super happy to see our tamariki.

New COVID19 Protection Framework (CPF)

You'll have heard the Government's announcement that everyone in Aotearoa will move to the *new COVID19 Protection Framework (CPF) "Traffic Light" system* on Friday, 3 December. Auckland will be moving to CPF **Red**.

The rest of this year

The Ministry of Education (MoE) has confirmed that *Schools retain their existing COVID19 settings until the end of the 2021 calendar year*. So for us, we'll be continuing with our current way of operating with our part-time attendance/blended learning model for the remainder of the term (**last day of Term is Friday 17 December**).

Please remember to contact your child's teacher or call the Office if your circumstances change.

Next year

We can confirm that everyone will be back on site for learning from the start of the School year, **Thursday 3 February 2022 (first day of Term One)**, regardless of what setting we'll be in under the new CPF "Traffic Light" system (**Red/Orange/Green**). This is fabulous news and means we can continue with our plans for an awesome 2022. Yay!

If you'd like to learn more about the framework, visit [COVID-19 Protection Framework](#).

Health measures in place at School

This year and next, health, safety and hauora will continue to be a priority for us. The same Public Health measures you are very familiar with, will remain in place:

- good hygiene and cleaning
- contact tracing systems in place
- vaccination requirements for workers (paid and unpaid)
- if you are sick, you must stay home and get tested
- good ventilation.

And if we are at **Red** at any stage next year:

- face coverings will be required at School when indoors for students and staff Years 4 to 8
- physical activities and singing held outside only
- keeping 1 m distance between different groups
- children with complex medical needs can seek advice from their health professional
- we'll ask that only essential visitors come onsite.



With all these safety measures in place, Public Health has confirmed the risk of infection remains low when at School, with households continuing to be where COVID19 is spreading the most (reference: Dr Caroline McElnay, Director of Public Health).

What if we have a confirmed COVID19 case at School?

If we have someone confirmed with COVID19 in our School, we have a plan to manage this and will follow the guidance of our MoE Director, and contact you as soon as possible. Contact tracing systems and case management will continue.

Celebration time ❤️

Student Achievement Reports: 😊

- Many thanks to our teachers who have completed these for your tamariki. Reports will be sent home in the last week of School, starting Monday 13 December.

End of year Awards: 🏆🎓

- With the current Health Orders and restrictions in place, we're not able to have our traditional prizegiving and Year 8 Graduation events. But! We won't be defeated! We've been in kōrero about the safest way to distribute our end of year awards.
- You'll receive specific information next week about what we've planned for our Year 8 Graduates and for the recipients of the Senior School Awards, to occur in the last week of School.
- All Year 8 Graduates and Senior School prize recipients will receive their awards during a "drive-through" event from Alamein Rd gate/Reception area (fingers crossed, we're hoping this can go ahead).

Please return School-owned devices and items to School: 📱📚

- Mr Janse (R9) and Mrs Sharma (DP) will be in contact with you early next week to arrange the times when all TPS owned devices need to be returned to School (as agreed).
- Teachers are in contact with you now, to remind all students to begin returning all TPS owned books, texts or other items to School too.

Learning Packs 📦

- If you or your child have not collected their **refreshed learning pack** please call the Office to arrange a time.

Thank you for your calls and questions, we want to help 👍 If you have questions or concerns, please contact Mrs Sharma (DP) or Miss Sharon (Office Manager) swilliamson@tamakiprimary.school.nz, your child's teacher or me by phone or email.

Fa'afetai tele lava parents and whānau, with full appreciation from us all 🌻 stay safe

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