

# ELLERSLIE SCHOOL

## Monday 13th September

### Term 3 - Week 8



#### ***Tena koutou katoa Ellerslie whanau***

Following on from this afternoon's Government announcement, you will now be aware that Auckland will remain in **Alert Level 4 until at least 11.59pm, Tuesday 21st September**. We understand that this might be very disappointing news for many and we hope to be in Level 3 sometime next week.

#### Please remember:

- Online home learning will continue in Levels 3 and 4.
- All school sites are closed at Level 4 (including all playgrounds). *The only exception is to allow for some staff to be onsite to distribute learning resources and devices.*
- Go to [Covid19.govt.nz](https://www.covid19.govt.nz) for all up to date information including any new locations of interest.

#### Wellbeing

It is critical that as we remain in lockdown we also continue to look after our wellbeing and the wellbeing of our whānau. The Ministry of Education has some excellent advice for parents and caregivers, which can be found [here](#).

#### Staff Break from Online Learning

On **Friday 17th September**, the Ellerslie School staff will be having a break from all online learning. This will allow them to spend a day getting ahead with planning and preparation for the following week of learning. On Friday your child/ren will still be able to access a variety of online learning activities. They can also access activities located on the homepage of the school's website. On this day there will be no online sessions conducted by any staff and no staff feedback will be happening. We ask that students do not contact teachers or staff on this day please. Online learning sessions will recommence on Monday 20th September.

#### Online Home Learning - Contacting the Guardian Group Teacher

If you have any questions or concerns about your child/ren's online home learning, please email their Guardian Group teacher. They will be able to assist you and answer your questions or queries. This may be about the online learning that is happening or about any concerns you may have with your child/ren's level of engagement or wellbeing.

#### Attending School in Level 3

To help us with our preparation and planning can you please email Sheree Myers - [shereem@ellerslie.school.nz](mailto:shereem@ellerslie.school.nz) - if you are an essential worker who has to send your child(ren) to school once we are in Alert Level 3 because there is no alternative person who can supervise them. **Please note that all children must be registered before they attend school in Alert Level 3.**

*In Alert Level 3, most children and young people will continue to learn from home, however schools are open for all children and young people in years 0-10 whose parents or carers need to go to work and there is no alternative person who can supervise them. 'Schools bubbles' are to be formed, but on Public Health's advice that they are to have no more than 10 children/students per bubble. (Ministry of Education)*

#### A Reminder about Vaccinations- Ministry of Health

Here is a [video you can watch](#) to explain how the vaccine works. You can book your young person in for vaccination at the same time as your vaccination or accompany them to their appointment.

You can book through your GP or through vaccination centres:

- Book online through [Book My Vaccine](#).
- For a group booking, call the COVID Vaccination Healthline on 0800 282 926 (8:00am–8:00pm, seven days a week).

- There are some vaccination sites that will take 'walkins' at certain times during the day. Please check the Health Point website [here](#).

### **Contact Information**

For enquiries regarding online learning: Email your child/ren's Guardian Group teacher.

For general enquiries:

1. Email the school office ([office@ellerslie.school.nz](mailto:office@ellerslie.school.nz)).
2. Ring the school mobile phone: 021474899 (to speak to a member of the office staff). This phone number will only be available during normal school hours from 8:50am to 2:45pm.
3. Updates are also available on the Ellerslie School website - [www.ellerslie.school.nz](http://www.ellerslie.school.nz).

For any emergency or urgent concerns: - Ring Ellerslie School Principal - Nick Butler: 021888262.

The school will continue to communicate with the community using our usual methods:

- Email, school app, website and our Facebook page.

Ngā mihi nui,



Nick Butler  
Principal  
Phone: 021888262



### Golden rules for Alert Level 4

-  **Stay at home** in your bubble
-  **Feeling unwell?** Call your doctor or Healthline on **0800 358 5453** about getting tested
- If leaving the house:**
  -  **Wear a mask and keep a 2m distance** from others
  -  **Keep on scanning QR codes**
  -  **Wash and sanitise hands often**
  -  **Stay local and be kind** to one another

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