

ELLERSLIE SCHOOL

Monday 20 September

Term 3 - Week 9



Tena koutou katoa Ellerslie whanau

It's great news that Auckland will be at Alert Level 3 from 11:59pm, Tuesday 21 September. The government has announced that we will remain at this level for at least 2 weeks. I'm sure, if nothing else, takeaways will be on the minds of many! On a more serious note, I know many of you will be relieved that you will be able to return to work and get your businesses, and those you support, back up and running.

What is important to note:

- Alert Level 3 is very similar to Alert Level 4.
- All children need to stay home and continue online home learning.
- School is open - only to children of essential workers who are not able to be supervised at home.
- Only students who have registered can attend school at Level 3. (shereem@ellerslie.school.nz)
- Please refer [here](#) for further Level 3 guidelines.

Vaccination: Let's get to 90%

Getting vaccinated is the best way to protect each of us and our whānau. The more of us who are vaccinated in our community, the greater our immunity. Everyone in Aotearoa New Zealand aged 12 years and over can book their **free** COVID-19 vaccination now. It doesn't matter what your visa or citizenship status is. **Currently 37% of eligible people in NZ are fully vaccinated, 72% have had at least one dose.** Getting over 90% of all eligible people vaccinated, will go a long way to getting life back to pre-covid times. There are now a number of walk-in and drive-through vaccination centres. Please click [here](#) for more information from the Ministry of Health.

Student Wellbeing and Support Services

We have now been locked down for over 30 days and for some this is particularly challenging. The wellbeing of everyone is of utmost importance. This is a reminder that there are various support services available for whanau to connect with to ensure the wellbeing of our tamariki remains our number one priority. Guardian Teachers, Team Leaders and members of the Senior Leadership Team are all available as well as:

- School Guidance Counsellor- Rebecca Dam - rebeccad@ellerslie.school.nz
- Sarah Murphy - Learning Support Coordinator - sarahm@ellerslie.school.nz

The Ministry of Education has some excellent advice for parents and caregivers, which can be found [here](#).

Please remember that Term 3 ends on Friday 1 October and Term 4 starts on Monday 18 October.

Ngā mihi nui,

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