



26 August 2020

Dear Parents and Caregivers and Students

I am looking forward to school returning on Monday, as no doubt you will be too.

On Tuesday David Hodge, Head of Saint Kentigern, put out a detailed communication. My purpose in this letter is to cover a few key points. Firstly:

- School resumes for students on Monday 31 August. Normal times.
- Buses will be running as per normal times and routes. Masks are to be worn.

We all need to remind our young people of how we can be safe and care about others:

- Keep your distance from other people in public.
- If you are sick, stay home. Do not come to school. Do not socialise.
- If you have symptoms of cold or flu call your doctor or Healthline and get tested.
- Wash your hands. Wash your hands. Wash your hands.
- Use the sanitiser provided in the classrooms.
- Sneeze and cough into your elbow.
- If you have been told to self-isolate, you must do so immediately and notify the College.
- Keep a track of where you have been and who you have seen.

At Alert Level 2 schools are open for students to attend and it is safe to do so. From **Monday 31 August** we will be expecting all students to attend school other than those who are sick, have been told to self-isolate, or who have a medical condition that requires them to remain at home. If your child is sick or unable to attend for any reason let us know in the usual way through the absence text (021 172 6464) or email (skc_absence@saintkentigern.com).

Student information:

- Students are to bring their own water bottles and hand sanitiser to school.
- Year 13 students will not be able to leave campus during study or lunchtime during Level 2. This is to meet tracking requirements.
- Face masks are currently being discussed and we are waiting on Ministry advice. At present they are not required, however it is okay to wear one.
- Both College Cafés will have the online ordering system option available from Monday. This is to help with the restrictions around social distancing during Level 2. However, students will still be able purchase food in the normal manner.

During Level 2

- 24-hour hand sanitiser is provided for every classroom and other major school areas.
- There will be midday clean of bathrooms.
- There will be no Extended Tutor Time (ETT).
- There will be no assemblies or Chapels during level 2 (Chapel will be recorded).
- 5 minutes will be added onto morning tutor time and then extra time will be added to the remaining classes during the day.

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Bell Times:

Tutor	8.40am – 8.55am	Interval	10.45am – 11.05am	Lunch	12.55pm – 1.40pm
Period 1	8.55am – 9.50am	Period 3	11.05am – 12.00pm	Period 5	1.40pm – 2.35pm
Period 2	9.50am – 10.45am	Period 4	12.00pm – 12.55pm	Period 6	2.35pm – 3.30pm

Competitive Sports

In keeping with directives from College Sport, competitive interschool games will not recommence until **Monday 7 September**. We are however able to with the appropriate Health and safety practices in place, recommence team practices as we did previously at Level 2. Further information can be found on the [Sports OLE Page](#) and/or on specific code pages.

Senior Practice Exams

We have decided to continue scheduled School Practice Examinations. The purpose of these exams is to identify learning gaps and areas needing practice. They will still serve this purpose. Plus, with the start of NCEA being delayed, we have an excellent four weeks of teaching time in Term 4 to build upon the information provided by exam results.

Year 11, 12 and 13 students will be sitting Senior School Practice Examinations from **Wednesday 9 September to Friday 18 September**. All Senior School students will be granted study leave during this period. This means that they are not required to be at the College during the school day other than when they are sitting examinations or attending scheduled workshops or revision classes.

Please [click here](#) for further details on Senior School Practice Examinations.

Parent drop off and collection of students:

The continued safety of students on our campus is of importance to us all and vehicles do pose a manageable risk.

Students are not to be collected and/or dropped off on the round-about as this obstructs traffic flow and endangers the safety of our students.

Students who are collected regularly by car at the end of the school day are be picked up from the Manor Park entrance ([click here to view map](#)). This is to guarantee that the main entrance is clear for bus departures and our Senior School students who park in the main carpark.

Parents who need to come onsite are requested to 'check in' at the Main Reception of the MacFarlan Building during Level 2.

Bus information

We are fortunate that Saint Kentigern has a very good relationship with our service provider, Howick & Eastern Buses. Howick & Eastern has been operating throughout the Alert Levels and has well established cleaning processes in place and comply fully with Ministry of Education requirements.

However, as mentioned in the letter from David Hodge, it is a requirement that all students travelling to school on public transport must wear masks. While not formally required, we would expect all students on our school buses to wear masks. We also have assurances from our Bus Company that all our buses will be deeply cleaned every day.

We are very much looking forward to being together once again.

Fides servanda est



Russell Brooke
College Principal