

25 August 2020

Yesterday afternoon, the Prime Minister announced that Auckland will remain at Alert Level 3, through until 11.59pm on Sunday 30 August.

Our Distance Learning from home programme will continue until Thursday 27 August. Friday 28 August is a school holiday and there will be no on-line learning on that day.

The school will be reopening for all staff and students from Monday the 31st of August, under Alert Level 2. The following information provides a guide of key information families and students need to know returning to school under Alert Level 2.

Distance Learning Continues: Week 6

All students must complete a daily attendance check-in on the Learning Hub, available from our school website: www.mrgs.school.nz via the Distance Learning link. Students also have access to our subject 'Learning Hubs', which is a website for every subject area which also has a wide array of resources to support learning https://sites.google.com/mrgs.school.nz/mrgs-learning-hub/home.

Education Perfect is a useful online resource and students have full access to every subject that it offers. Education Perfect is available via: www.educationperfect.com Students all have login details and can contact their subject teacher or email elearning@mrgs.school.nz for any help.

If students are prioritising a particular subject or subjects for a day they should let their other teachers know, remembering to return to the other subjects.

Returning to School: Week 7 [Monday 31 August]

Students will need to get ready for school

- Do not come to school if you are sick
- You must sanitise your hands on entry to school
- You must sanitise your hands on entry to every classroom
- High contact surfaces will be disinfected daily
- Stay left in corridors
- Wear correct uniform. If you want to wear a mask it must be a medical mask
- Bring your own lunch and water in a bottle. Year 13s will not be allowed off site. Uber eats or food deliveries will not be allowed on site
- Bring your own device, including any school loan devices
- Assemblies will not be run in week 7
- Students will have the opportunity to maintain a safe physical distance (breathing zone)
- With mutual agreement students can agree to participate in games with closer contact
- Cough and sneeze into your elbow and take an active responsibility for your hygiene

- Staff will observe students on arrival at school, checking for symptoms, and will ask those presenting as unwell to be collected by family.
- If a student or staff member is sick they are to stay at home and phone Healthline or their GP if they have Covid-like symptoms and get tested if advised to do so. Students and staff cannot return to school until they have received a negative test result and are 48 hours symptom free.

School Sport

In the Auckland region gathering sizes will remain limited to 10 people at Alert Level 2 until at least Sunday 6 September. School sports are therefore suspended until further notice.

Public Transport

While the country is at alert level 2 and higher, the Government is making it compulsory for people travelling on buses, planes, trains, ferries and even Ubers to wear face masks to protect themselves and others. While using public transport students must wear a face mask.

Visitors

All visitors, including parents/caregivers, must register their details at reception on arrival. When leaving, they must sign out through reception and inform the receptionist of who they have been in contact with.

Under Alert Level 2 meetings with parents/caregivers must be pre-arranged – please call first. When on site please follow public health measures for visitors, sanitising on arrival and maintaining a 2m distance from staff and students.

Board of Trustees Student Election

Nomination forms for the student trustee on the Board of Trustees are available from the school office. Due to the Alert Level 3 lockdown the call for nominations has been extended to **Wednesday 2 September**.

Please return nomination forms, <u>including a candidate statement</u>, to the office by noon Wednesday 2 September. The student election voting date will now be on Friday 11 September.

Wellbeing support

Our Counsellors are readily available to all students during school hours. You can refer students by email counsellors@mrgs.school.nz, or encourage them to reach out via Facebook Messenger (mrgscounselling) or through Instagram by direct messaging (counsellingmrgs). All communications are confidential, unless there is an imminent risk to safety.

Students can also access the nurses on nurses@mrgs.school.nz or 021 320 021 between 9am and 4pm on school days.