

St Martins School | Hato Mātene Covid Response Plan

We have created a flexible plan to respond to Covid-19. This will depend on the various scenarios that we anticipate to be involved in. With the support of the staff, we will look to implement strategies that work best for our school context, with the health and safety of our students and staff at the forefront of our planning. At all times we will be following the requirements set out by the MoE and MoH.

STAGES

Stage 1

School is open for all students

Stage 2

Hybrid Model of Learning (school and home learning)

Stage 3

Majority of students learning at home. Supervision of limited students at school.

Stage 4

School is closed. Limited learning programmes are offered online.

Step by Step Guide to Positive / Close Cases At School

Step 1

Positive / Close Case identified while at school.

Step 2

School to contact MoE & MoH Info gathered regarding case/s activity.

Step 3

Information about isolation and testing shared with close contacts.

Step 4

School sends out information to whānau via HERO. Monitor your child's health.

Step 5

The Board will assess if a move in **Stages** is necessary. Shared via HERO.

Outside of School

Step 1

Positive / Close Case identified outside of School.

Step 2

Inform school via email andrew@stmartins.s chool.nz Phone contact made and MoE contacted.

Step 3

School sends out information to whānau via HERO. Monitor your child's health.

Step 4

Guided by MoE & MoH.

Whānau kept updated via HERO.

Step 5

The Board will assess if a move in **Stages** is necessary.

Shared via HERO.

Frequently asked questions...

Q.

Who do we advise if my child tests positive for Covid-19?

A.

Please contact Andrew Mouat as soon as possible after you have been informed of a positive test result.

PH: 332 6121 EMAIL:

andrew@stmartins.school.nz

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My child has tested positive for Covid-19. What does this mean?

A.

This will mean that your child will need to isolate (10 days). All family members will be close contacts and need to isolate (7 days)

Q.

A member of our household is a close contact. Can my child still attend school?

A.

Yes, your child is able to attend school.

My child is a close contact.
What does this mean?

Α.

This means your child has had contact with a positive case at our school.

They will need to isolate for 7 days and be tested on day #5. (Note: the 7 days starts from the date they were in contact with a positive case at school).

Q.

What actions does the school take when there is a positive case? Α.

We follow a response plan based on guidance from the MoE & MoH

This involves:

- Seeking clarification of the positive case, and when the infectious period was
- If this was on a school day, we then work through contact tracing
- We will advise classes that are close contacts via email and letters home
- If this occurs during a school day, we will request that you come and collect your child as soon as they are able to. Arrive at the Gate by the Community Hall and we will bring your child out to you safely.
- School community updated.

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A member of our household has tested positive. What does this mean? A.

This will mean that your child will be a close contact and also needs to isolate (7 days).

Q.

How do we work out who is a Close Contact? Δ

There is detailed guidance around this and a range of criteria. Without going into detail, because our students spend a long time in the same classroom, this then fits the criteria for being a Close Contact.

Q.

My child needs to isolate at home. What support will the school provide around teaching and learning? A.

Our support and response will depend on whether class teachers are also isolating at home. We are able to offer

- MoE Hard copy learning
- 2. SMS Online Learning website
- Learning at home connecting with teachers that are also isolating

If our teachers are at school, they will look to connect with you and your child.