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Latest Whanau Update:
**School will operate in Alert Level 3 conditions for the rest of this week.**

Kia ora,

As you know, there have been 4 confirmed cases of COVID 12 in Taitokerau over the last few days. In response to this and in line with information posted recently by Hokianga Health recommending extra caution, the Board of Trustees has decided that our school will operate **in strict Level 3 conditions for the rest of this week.**

This means that we will run a small Primary School classroom bubble for the few students whose parents need to send them to school because they are essential workers. We will also run 1 - 2 very tight classroom bubbles for all NCEA students and encourage them to attend school this week.

Classroom bubbles will be kept separate all day, including during break times.

Rooms will be kept well ventilated and we will be following normal Level 3 hygiene procedures including regular hand washing and surface cleaning.

All onsite staff have tested negative so far and will be retested over the course of the week.

Face coverings are mandatory for staff and senior students, these are available at school free of charge.

Please email sophiet@opononi.school.nz if you intend to send your child to school. Hard learning packs for Primary and Middle School students will be available on Wednesday. Please do not send your child if they are sick or feeling unwell.

Please take measures to be extra cautious over this week including staying at home and getting tested for COVID-19 if you are feeling unwell.

Thank you for your support to keep our community safe. We will reassess the situation over the course of the week and keep you informed.

*Ngā mihi*
*Pateriki Toi*
*Principal*
*Opononi Area School*