



TINWALD SCHOOL

Respect, Responsibility, Honesty

NEWSLETTER - 2022

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Thank You Parents and Families

Dear Parents and Families,

On behalf of the staff thank you for working within the red light rules. We have had a very positive start to the year and you should be proud of the way your children have handled changes such as wearing masks.

Our school is planning for a range of scenarios and will try to keep disruptions to learning and our timetable as small as possible. There is a table of key actions further on in this newsletter.

We are planning the following events this term depending on conditions:

- Celebrations Assemblies every third week. The first one is on Thursday 17 February, 2.15pm, via Zoom for parents and the newly elected student council will lead it
- Netball and Rugby skills
- School duathlon on Friday 18th March
- Year 5 and 6 camp 28-30th March

PTA First Meeting Tuesday 15 February

All parents are invited to our first PTA meeting this year, 7pm in the school staffroom next Tuesday

Board of Trustees Meeting Monday 28 February

The BOT will meet for the first time this year at 7pm in the office. Any correspondence must be to the chairperson at least 48hours before the meeting.

Traffic Light Response Plan

This table outlines the key points of the schools response to the various phases of red depending on how many daily cases there are and the level of casual and close contacts.

Please note we may have to ask whole classes or year levels to be kept home or close the school, if we have staff isolating and are unable to employ relievers. This notice would be sent out as soon as the decision is made. Please be prepared for this.

Covid Red Levels	School Response	Parent Response
Red Phase 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Visitor register -Scan in for parents -Masks Yr 4 up and staff -Masks for parents outdoors and indoors -School events and gatherings take place following guidelines 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Children must attend school -Parents in grounds for 5 minutes max -Parents scan -Parents wear masks at all times while on the grounds
Red Phase 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Visitors to the office only -Parents drop off and pick up at gates only -Masks Yr 4 up and staff -Whole classes may be at home if a teacher is isolating and relievers are unavailable -Limited school events and gatherings -School in bubbles of rooms 1-4, then rooms 6-9, and then rooms 10-12 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Visit the office only. Masks at all times while on school grounds -Pick up and drop off at the school gates -Parents support home learning for their children if a class or year level is asked to stay home
Red Phase 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Essential visitors only -School in class bubbles with minimal or no contact -Classes or year levels at home if positive cases are confirmed. This includes staff -It is possible the school is closed for a period of time if there is insufficient staffing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Essential visitors only -Pick up and drop off from the main gate only -Parents support home learning if the school is closed or whole classes or year levels need to isolate

Are You an Essential Worker?

As a school we may have to ask classes or year levels to stay at home even though we are open while in Red. The most likely reasons for this are a confirmed case or there are not enough staff to run classes.

Parents must have a plan for this scenario and the possibility that we have to close as a school. For parents who are essential workers and cannot get any form of childcare, we would like to know who you are so that we can supervise children in one or two of our rooms.

Therefore we are asking all parents who are essential workers to inform the office via email office@tinwald.school.nz

Please let us know who you are, the best contact phone number, who your children are including their room number and which days your child/ren would need to be at school.

Better every single time
Welcome to our new students who have joined us this year:

Scarlett Berti, Amelia Claridge, Carter Hill, Maddy Hooper, Jasmyrah Kaur, Charlie King, Flynn McPherson, Charlie Smith, Melanie Smith-MacDonald, Leah Burrows, Flynn and Louie Ross, Memories Upu, Ayden Makutu-Terepai,, Alex and Francella Sione, Kruze Tihema