



30 August 2021

Dear Parents

Thank you very much to all of you who managed to fill in the survey regarding children's learning once Level 3 gets underway on Wednesday. The key messages under Alert Level 3 for parents are:

- If you can, you should keep your child/ren at home.
- If your child has a health condition that means they are at a greater risk of a severe illness you must keep them at home.
- If your child is sick or has a cold, please also ensure you keep them at home.

This email contains information regarding:

- **Bubble Groups at Level 3**
- **Children Remaining at Home during Level 3**
- **Pack of Hard Copy Learning Materials**
- **Changing Circumstances**
- **10 September Teacher Only Day Postponed**

Bubble Groups at Level 3

We will be operating 4 bubble groups during Level 3, however as you imagine it will not be school as we know it under Alert Level 2 or 1. All our usual safety precautions for Alert Level 3 will be in place which include following all the recommendations from the public health experts. This means we will regularly clean and disinfect high touch surfaces, encourage everyone to frequently wash their hands and cover their coughs and sneezes, and keep everyone physically distanced from others as much as possible (1 metre inside and two metres outside). We will also keep school bubbles to no more than 10 students. These bubbles will not mix with other bubbles. Recommendations state that there needs to be a 1m physical distance between all people when inside and a 2m physical distance when outside. We will do our very best to comply with this. Children and staff are not required to wear masks in school at Level 3, however they can do so if they wish.

The less people we have onsite during Level 3 the better. If you can drop your child/ren off without coming into the school grounds we would really appreciate you doing so. If you need to walk your child to their bubble room, please sign in using the QR codes at our entrances and keep a 2 metre distance from others. We have deliberately spread out the bubble rooms so they

are physically separated from each other. Each bubble has separate starting, finishing and break times. Siblings will be in the same bubble. You can also assist everyone's safety by keeping your child at home if they are feeling unwell.

Those of you with children in bubbles will receive an email tomorrow outlining specific details of that bubble.

Children Remaining at Home during Level 3

For those children who are able to remain at home during Level 3, on-line learning will continue to be provided by class teachers. Your child's classroom teacher will remain your key contact for on-line learning during Level 3 as they have been during Level 4.

Pack of Hard Copy Learning Materials

The process for organising a significant number of packs of hard copy learning materials is underway. If you indicated in our survey that you would like one of these, they can be collected from the verandah outside Rooms 1-4 on Wednesday 1 September from 10:00am. All packs are in named plastic bags. For everyone's safety please be mindful of keeping a distance of 2 metres from others, and sign in using our QR Codes at our Ilam entrance.

Changing Circumstances

I am aware that parents may be meeting with employers over the coming days and as such your circumstances regarding your child learning at home or coming to school in Level 3 may change. If this is the case, please email admin@ilam.school.nz, giving details of your circumstances and we will endeavour to accommodate your needs.

10 September Teacher Only Day Postponed

A reminder that our Teacher Only Day scheduled for Friday 10 September has been postponed. We are looking to reschedule this, and will update you once a date has been confirmed.

Take care, stay safe.

Nga mihi nui (Kind Regards)



Paul Dolan
Tumuaki/Principal