

# *Bayview Primary School*

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## **Returning to School Under Alert Level 2**

Kia ora Team Bayview

You will have just heard the announcement that we are moving to alert level 2 from 11.59pm tonight.

This means Bayview School will be open for all learners to return. Unfortunately during alert level 2 we ask all parents, caregivers, and siblings to stay off the school grounds. You are able to drop your child/ren off at one of the gates where a staff member will be based to welcome them. You will then need to decide which gate you will pick your child up from and ensure they know this ready for after school. Please note all Year 1s (Habitats 1, 2, and 4) will be brought to the side carpark entrance to be dismissed each day at 3pm. Under alert level 2 parents will need to ensure they maintain the 2m physical distancing as much as possible.

## **FAQ's**

- 1. Will after school care be available?** Yes all of our after school care providers will be fully functional with alert level 2 procedures. Please contact your provider to discuss their alert level 2 procedures.  
Here are the contact details for our providers:  
**Bayview Community Centre**  
Email: [office@bayviewcentre.org.nz](mailto:office@bayviewcentre.org.nz). Phone 09 443 0231  
**4 Kids and whanau**  
Email: [office@4kids.nz](mailto:office@4kids.nz) Phone:09 4409394  
**Kids Klub Glenfield**  
Email: [Bruce@kidsklub.co.nz](mailto:Bruce@kidsklub.co.nz) Phone:09-444 1560
- 2. Am I allowed onsite?** We respectfully ask that only our bayview pupils enter the school site and that parents/caregivers and siblings drop off and pick up at the gate. If you have to pick your child up early please phone the school office and we will walk your child to the gate. If your child is injured and we have phoned you to pick them up please drive into the top carpark, scan the QR code or sign the contact tracing register and then you will be able to enter the office.
- 3. Can my child wear their school uniform?** Yes we would like all our children to be in the correct school uniform. We ask that these are kept as clean as possible as hygiene is of the utmost importance at alert level 2.
- 4. Do you have soap in the bathrooms?** Yes we have soap and paper towels in every bathroom as well as soap dispensers next to sinks in classrooms. Every classroom has multiple hand sanitiser units and we have others installed around the school. Our children will be required to wash and sanitise their hands regularly throughout the day.
- 5. Can I buy my child lunch on EZlunch?** Yes EZlunch is fully operational. Instead of the children collecting this from the office they will be taken to your child's classroom (via Bayview Uber Eats). Please make sure your child has enough food to get them through the day, it may be hard to transition back to regular eating times again.

- 6. Will the school playgrounds be open?** Yes the school playgrounds will be open. If you bring your child up during the weekend you must observe the level 2 rules around physical distancing. Please note there is no hand sanitiser available next to the playgrounds for weekends. All council playgrounds will be open.
- 7. Will the water fountains be available?** No. Our water fountains will remain covered under alert level 2. Every child will need to bring their own named, refillable drink bottle. Bottles can be refilled in classrooms.
- 8. What do I need to do to get my child ready for school?** Before school starts we suggest you dig out your child's lunchbox, drink bottle, uniform and bag and make sure they are clean and ready to go. Take a walk up to school and show your child the designated drop off and pick up zone. Reinforce hand washing routines i.e. after going to the toilet, frequently throughout the day. Reinforce the physical distancing rules i.e. no touching, stay out of the moist breath zone, coughing and sneezing into the crook of your elbow, etc.
- 9. Do I have to send my child back to school?** If your child is immuno-compromised please contact Shelley Matuku to discuss a plan moving forward [shelleym@bayview.school.nz](mailto:shelleym@bayview.school.nz)
- 10. What if I am late to pick up my child?** If you are going to be late your child will need to wait for you in the fales. We are not able to have children wait in the school office. If you need to get a message through to your child about waiting in the fales, please phone the office Ph4442222 as soon as you are able.
- 11. Does my child have to wear a mask to school?** Advice from the Ministry of Health is that this is not necessary in a school environment but we will leave it up to you to make that decision for your child.
- 12. Do I have to physically walk my child to the gate?** Not at all. If your child is comfortable and confident enough to walk themselves into the school grounds then let them grow their independence! We strongly encourage parents to park away from the school and get their child to walk from there e.g. you could park by Lynn Reserve and your child could walk up the Simon Ellice walkway and then meet you there after school.
- 13. Are you having staggered break times?** We are following the advice from the Ministry of Health which has advised that staggered break times are not necessary. We are lucky at Bayview that we have such a large campus which allows the children to spread out. Please know that for the first few days our main messages for students will be around physical distancing, hygiene and keeping themselves and others safe.
- 14. How will you manage movement of children around the school?** Our teachers have spent this week developing new systems in their classes around the movement of children. We have been here before and have reflected and refined our practices to maximise physical distancing.
- 15. I'm feeling overwhelmed and don't know what to do.** Breathe! We know this second wave has caused a great deal of stress for many families. You are not alone. Please reach out and speak to one of us at school. We are here to support you. Feel free to ring Di, Shelley or Jacob on 09 444-2222 or alternatively email us [dianer@bayview.school.nz](mailto:dianer@bayview.school.nz), [shelleym@bayview.school.nz](mailto:shelleym@bayview.school.nz) or [jacoba@bayview.school.nz](mailto:jacoba@bayview.school.nz). The following link will take you to a Ministry of Health support page with links to organisations you can reach out to also if you prefer.  
<https://www.health.govt.nz/our-work/diseases-and-conditions/covid-19-novel-coronavirus/covid-19-health-advice-general-public/covid-19-mental-health-and-wellbeing-resources#need-to-talk>