

# *Bayview Primary School*

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Kia Ora Team Bayview Whanau

We are currently planning ahead to what Alert level 3 will look like at Bayview School. We won't know anymore until **after the announcement on Monday 13th September** as to any potential alert level change however we want to keep you informed.

At **alert level 3** schools are essentially closed with the exception of those few children whose parents and carers **must** go to work at Alert Level 3, and there is **no** appropriate caregiver at home. The key message for Alert Level 3 is to keep your children at home and engage in learning from home. Until schools are fully re-open, sending your child to school at alert level 3 needs to be a definite decision and not something that happens day-to-day. Keeping students, staff and whānau safe is our highest priority.

The majority of our staff will continue to teach remotely via Seesaw and the majority of our children will continue to learn from home. Children that do need to come to school will be engaging in the same learning that is being provided on Seesaw. The wellbeing of you and your family continue to be our main priority during this time. Our message is that you continue to do what works best for you and your bubble.

The Ministry of Education has provided clear guidelines around alert level 3 procedures and practices. We will have bubbles of no more than 10 students and 2 staff members. (This will not necessarily be your child's teacher). Siblings will be kept together in bubbles. Everyone must maintain a two-metre physical distance from each other outside, and one metre inside as much as practicable.

On Friday 10th September we will be sending out a form through Seesaw to find out how many students we will need to cater for at COVID-19 Alert Level 3. We need this information in order to plan ahead so we can maintain health and safety requirements. You will only need to complete this form if you **intend** to send your child back at alert level 3.

Team Bayview you are all doing a fabulous job. Thank you for your continued support during this time. Once again if you have any questions please don't hesitate to email Jacob or myself [jacoba@bayview.school.nz](mailto:jacoba@bayview.school.nz) or [shelleym@bayview.school.nz](mailto:shelleym@bayview.school.nz)

Ngā mihi nu

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