

21st April, 2020

*Dear parents, whanau and caregivers,*

*As you will have heard schools will soon start to reopen. We are committed to doing this in a way that is safe for everyone and have been working on a detailed plan guided by the Ministry of Education and Ministry of Health. A copy of this plan will be sent out later this week.*



**On Thursday 23rd and Friday 24th** Cleaning and maintenance

**On Tuesday 28th,** Teacher Only day to check safety plans and get ready for children.

**On Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> April,** school is open but only for students who need to be at school. If you can, you should keep your child at home. In order to ensure the safety of those children and our staff who do come to school, we will be operating with strict enforcement of health and safety measures.

**If your child has a health condition or is sick now, you must keep them at home.**

### **Entering the grounds**

#### **In order to manage social distancing:**

PARENTS – please do not come into the school grounds or classrooms unless you have a new Entrant to settle. If you need to pass a message to the teacher or at the office, please ring the school office (09) [2754699](tel:2754699).

### **Help with online learning**

If the Ministry of Education has now sent you a chromebook and you need help to get it set up or you need help to get onto Seesaw, let us know. We will make a time for you to come up to school to see a staff member and get it sorted.

### **Help with offline learning**

We will make up new packs of homework and deliver these to the addresses on our file if your child is still at home. Learning at Home TV Channel 7 Freeview, 502 Sky, or Maori TV (9-3) is also available.

*Children often say the best part of school is playtime and lunchtime – so make sure you plan these into their day at home too.*

Thank you everyone for your support through this challenging time. We have smashed level 4 so lets do level 3 even better. Kia Kaha

Shirley Hardcastle, Principal

To help us plan, please send an email to [admin@viscount.school.nz](mailto:admin@viscount.school.nz) with:

Your name

Your children's names and rooms

and let us know if your children will:

**STAY HOME**

✚ **My children will stay at home and keep learning from home 29th April - 11th May**

OR

**COME TO SCHOOL**

✚ My children will need to come to school 29th April on

Thank you,

Shirley Hardcastle  
Principal.