

VISCOUNT SCHOOL

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Kia ora koutou

Viscount School is open now at Level 3 for students where parents need to work.

On Monday 18th May, the school will be fully open for everyone. However if your child is sick, they need to stay at home. Please contact us to let us know. Ring 09 275-4699, use the school ap or website or email admin@visvcount.school.nz If anyone becomes sick during the day we will ring you to collect them.

- SKIDS will be open for before and after school care. You can get WINZ subsidies for this programme.
- Breakfast and lunch programmes will be back in operation.

Safe School systems

Our school has safe and sensible practices as advised by Public Health to maintain the health and safety of everyone on the school site. It is important that safe hygiene habits are practised by everyone at home too. We look forward to everyone's support with this.

Our key areas of focus are:

- **Good hygiene practices** coughing into elbows, handwashing, using hand sanitiser requarly
- Regular cleaning of commonly touched surfaces.
- Contact lists anyone coming onto the school site will need to come to the office and sign the visitor register so we know who is at school and who our staff and students maight have been in close contact.
- Physical distancing 2m for parents and visitors,
 - "breathing space" for students

As described by Dr Payinda in his NZ Herald article, "Covid doesn't hang in the air for hours waiting to infect passers-by. It travels on invisible drops of spit. You don't have to cross the street to avoid anyone. Just avoid getting in their 'moist breath' zone". We all just need to remember to have some breathing space at Alert Level 2!

If you have any questions about our health and safety plan, or have a child who might be vulnerable to serious illness and would like to discuss a plan for them, please contact me.

We will be in touch again soon to update you on our plans.

Ngā mihi Shirley Hardcastle Principal

For more information about the public health measures at Alert Level 2, you can visit the covid19.govt.nz website: https://covid19.govt.nz/