



# EVERGLADE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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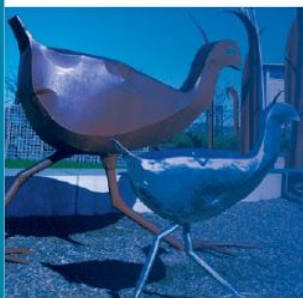
Dear Parents/Caregivers,

The Prime Minister's announcement on Monday has obvious implications for our school, our pupils and our families.

The move to Alert Level One has now taken effect across New Zealand. For schools, this means undoing some things from the last few weeks, while maintaining others for a bit longer.

Our intention is to move forward with well considered steps that take into account the need for health and safety, as well as effective learning programmes.

These are the next steps on the path of **"Getting closer to full normal"**



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### Getting closer to full normal...

A number of practical matters are affected by the new Covid -19 level. These are shown below, and **take effect immediately**:

- ★ Contact tracing at the office will continue by using the QR Code with your Covid tracing app. There will be no hand written records.
- ★ The corridor through the Admin Block is a working area, so there is **no thoroughfare to and from classes before 9 am and after 3pm**. Please use the outside pathways.
- ★ Handwashing and sanitising procedures will continue as normal.
- ★ As mentioned last week, pupils who arrive after 8.55 am must now sign in at the Office before going to class.
- ★ If you are needing to collect your child earlier than 3.00pm, for a medical appointment or similar, please report to the office and sign them out. Your child will still be called down from the classroom and meet you at the office.

**From Monday 15 June**, our drop off and pick up procedures will change, as follows:

- Parents of all pupils will be able to walk them to class if required. They can also be collected from outside the class. Note that it is not yet possible for parents to enter the classroom.
- Year 0-1 classes (Rooms 1-8) will finish at the same time as other pupils, at 3.00pm. The early pick up time will no longer apply.
- The Rear Gate will be open.
- Pupils who are waiting to be picked up after school will now be **seated outside the Library**. They can be picked up from there after 3.15pm.

Please note that while it is now possible to take your child to/from class, you may wish to build on the independence they have been gaining, and continue to drop off or pick up from the gate. You may also wish to let your child use the **Walking School Bus** in the afternoon, and meet them at Aronia Way to avoid congestion.

### The Turf will be ready to use next week.

After going through the lockdown, and now moving into the wet weather, it is really great news that **our new multi-purpose outdoor all weather facility** is able to be used from next Monday 15 June. Next week each class has booked a time for their first Turf Lesson. By the end of next week every pupil will have used the artificial turf area at least once. We look forward to adding this tremendous facility to our school programme.

There will be a more formal 'opening event' for The Turf, as we are calling it. This will take place when the situation allows.



## Out of Zone Enrolments for 2021

Later in the year, the Board will announce dates and details regarding Out of Zone enrolments for next year.

One thing that must be understood is that **there is no automatic right to enrolment if you have an older sibling at the school.** Whether or not you have other children attending Everglade School, you must apply for each child separately.

## Please use the Pedestrian Crossing



Our Pedestrian Crossing sits right outside our gates, and is conveniently located. You couldn't ask for better.

That's why it is disappointing when we have some adults who choose to cross the road with their children elsewhere, and do this in front of pupils, setting an example that could be dangerous. At other times, we have adults calling children to cross the road to save a few seconds.

If this is you, please don't be lazy or selfish; be like the great number of parents who follow the rules and set a good example for our pupils. Please use the crossing, and make sure your children do as well.

Scholastic Lucky Book Orders - Last day Friday 12 June.

Book Club



Pita Pit Lunch this Friday  
See attachment for menu



Next newsletter: Wednesday 17 June

Regards,

John Robinson  
Principal