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CLIVE SCHOOL 2020



This is the **second term 2 2020** newsletter.

We are back at school.

It is great. The children have a genuine social need to see , to be with, to look at, to appreciate, to be talked to, to be watchful of and laugh with others, ie to be kids.

They have been awesome. Here is what we have done. We have followed the rules we have set ourselves...

If you child is not feeling well or is sick, has a sore throat, runny nose, or sniffles then please keep them at home. If they present at school and are ill, we will be ringing and sending them home.

The **Public Health measure** say we will be asking for a medical certificate before they can resume back at school. **We will be practising good hygiene** skills at school. We will talk about safe sneezing, coughing, hand washing etc. and which toilet block each age level will be using.

Afcare in the **morning** will only operate if we have six children from 7.30am. Early booking via the **Enrolmy APP** is requested. **Afcare** will operate **after school** from 3pm-5.30pm.

The **gates open** and children can enter from 8.30 but from 9am would be best. They are to go straight to class. The **school day starts** from 9am and ends at 3pm.

If collecting early sign out please, if late in the morning, please sign in. We Now have a way to sign in using the school APP.

Let your child travel to school in their usual manner. If you are with them please

can you say goodbye in the car or at the front gate. We ask that children go straight home after school.

If your child needs your support to get to their classroom, please take them, say goodbye outside, avoid socialising with other adults as they are 'strangers'. We are still trying to lessen contacts and the fore the issue of tracing if needed.

We have **staggered intervals** and **lunch times** as we have to limited numbers in crowds

We will have **school milk** when new supplies arrive.

We will have Pita Pit this Wednesday and **starting up again is Sausage Sizzle Friday.**

The **drinking fountains** are closed off, children will need their own drink bottle daily.

We will have **Friday assembly** in **year groups** year 1 & 2 year 3 & 4 year 5 & 6 (alas you cannot attend because of numbers)

We will have **Kapa Haka** in year groups for year 1 & 2 year 3 & 4 year 5 & 6.

We will have **choir** and **at school based sports** it will be organsied in a different way. We will have **Tennis, Guitar, Speech** and **Drama.**

Coastal Cluster Sports events will likely not operate.(Rugby and Netball) **why?** Because they are larger than 100 people.

There will likley be no after school sports at all this term!

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Physical distancing in schools, means children, young people, and staff maintaining a physical distance so that they are not breathing on or touching each other. You literally get some breathing space.

As described by Dr Payinda in his [NZ Herald article](#), "Covid's not measles or chickenpox, it doesn't hang in the air for hours waiting to infect passers-by. It travels on invisible drops of spit. You do not have to cross the street to avoid anyone. Just avoid getting in their 'moist breath' zone". So, in a school setting, if you can smell the person's breath or feel that you are in that "moist breath" zone, move a little further away. Avoid touching others and for adults (staff and parents), it is recommended that where practicable you keep a metre distance between you.

Our school environment is controlled, we know who is at school, who they have been in close contact with and have **good hygiene measures in place** including regularly washing hands, including before and after using shared equipment daily.

Because people who are sick are staying at home and we are monitoring for anyone presenting with signs of illness and are cleaning high-touch surfaces daily, we feel confident we are being a **safe school environment**.

We do have some **students who have underlying medical conditions** that may place them at higher risk if they contract COVID-19.

These students will need to continue to learn and work from home during Alert Level 2.

Teachers will continue to support parents and caregivers with appropriate for age and stage tailored learning programmes and support. We have talked with the parents about: how long the student might need to continue to learn from home, and how to enable the student to participate in classes with support over a distance to ensure some

connection and engagement with their classmates.

The **Whakatu bus** is operating Our school transport services has returned to normal schedules.

The ongoing safety of the driver and our students and the ability to contact trace is our priority

Hand sanitisers are available for each student to use as they board the vehicle.

Vehicles and surfaces will be sanitised after each journey by the transport company. Seats in close proximity to the driver will be left empty.

Clive School is responsible for keeping our Whakatu families informed with the latest information about the Whakatu bus service.

If your **child is not at school** or on the bus we do need to know, use the School App to send a message or phone the office. 8700538

We do need accurate, connected, current phone numbers and email addresses.

If you have changed yours or you need to update your child's contact records please do so.

2020	
May	
29 th	April School opened under Level 3
11 th	Govt decision on next Level
18 th	School opens under Level 2
27 th	Badminton Skills at School start
June	
1 st	Queens Birthday
July	
3 rd	End of Term 2
20 th	Term 3 School Opens

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Archery By Zion-jay yr 6

Archery helps pass time, it also helps us strengthen muscles and improve our aim. When we have strong muscles and good aim, it keeps us fit and happy.

We should do Archery because school is boring most of the time, it's fun and it passes time fast. Some archery rounds could last for up to three hours. By doing this we would be learning the positions that are comfortable for us. We would also learn more about angles.

We should compete in Archery It will make it more fun and it will challenge us. We should go to Phoenix rise adventures to compete with other people from other schools. Then we could do Archery as adults to help us hunt animals.

Free Writing by Emilia

Want to write that cool story that just popped into your head, but still want to play with your friends? Ever found yourself banging your head on the table, trying to remember something for a recount? Free writing solves that. You still learn writing, kids enjoy it, though do we do enough of it?

Free writing is brilliantly fun. It encourages kids to be creative, and can sometimes even get them hooked! Free writing helps grow the imaginations of children, and a lot of us love writing anyway (e.g. me!).

I really have no idea why teachers don't let us do free writing during class time. We can try out different styles of writing, for example: poems, stories, letters, the dreaded recount, nonfiction stuff and others. Teachers can give feedback as to improve writing skills.

If we do more free writing, kids might be motivated to become authors. Writing skills are also important in most jobs, like teaching, as well as when writing job requests.

Another thing that would be good in class is a student library, where kids write their own stories, poems and the like. It would create a large variety of reading material for the class. This would also be a great place to put all the writing that the kids have done.

Free writing is a fun tool to get children writing. If we do more of it, they will grow to love writing. Writing is made fun with free writing, and we need to do more of it!

Dear Mr Eales by Stella V

I am writing a persuasive letter for you today to ask for a bigger drop off zone! I know that my parents are probably not the only ones wanting this as well. My parents have to wait 15 minutes before they can pick me up because the drop off zone is too small for them to go in and out because there are so many people driving in and out and parking in the drop off zone I reckon it's not fair on those parents who have to wait before they can pick their children up. Now I have prepared some reason why I personally think we should make the drop off zone bigger.

Reason one is I strongly think and I know my family are not the only ones wanting a bigger drop off zone! We are all waiting for you to do something about it and make it less of a mission to pick their children up. We need a bigger drop off zone! Do it for not just us but for everyone it will take some pressure off the parents going to pick up their kids.

Reason two I think that a bigger drop off zone will be easier for parents to pick up kids if they are in a rush or need to be somewhere and also in winter time some kids have to walk in the cold, to the church just because their parents don't want to go down into the chaos in the drop off zone.