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## OMICRON RESPONSE

We have had notification of three students who have tested positive for Omicron this week. The change from Phase 1 to Phase 2 on Wednesday has meant that some changes to isolation rules have come into effect and these are applied retrospectively. In most cases, only the children and staff in the class involved will be considered close contacts. Parents will be contacted to pick children up as soon as we have been able to assess risk factors. Close contacts will need to self isolate for the next seven days and have a negative day 5 test before returning to school. All other classes are likely to be casual contacts and can continue to come to school. We will continue to apply our school bubbles, appropriate public health measures and cleaning procedures so that other classes can continue to operate.

We are aiming to remain open for face to face learning wherever possible and will be in contact with parents if there are further cases reported to us. Please keep safe and be assured that we are doing all that we can to keep things as normal as possible while also taking safety measures very seriously.

### What you need to do

#### SYMPTOMS OF COVID-19

- A new or worsening cough
- Sneezing and runny nose
- A fever
- Temporary loss of smell or altered sense of taste
- Sore throat
- Shortness of breath

Less common symptoms include diarrhoea, headache, muscle aches, nausea, vomiting, malaise, chest pain, abdominal pain, joint pain, or confusion/irritability.

For more information, go to

[www.covid19.govt.nz/health-and-wellbeing/about-covid-19/covid-19-symptoms/](http://www.covid19.govt.nz/health-and-wellbeing/about-covid-19/covid-19-symptoms/)

Noho ora mai

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