

17th February 2021

Tena koutou katoa,

We are moving down to Alert Level 2 from 11.59pm tonight. The huge volume of tests completed in the last few days has given confidence that if any further cases arise, they will likely be closely linked to these existing cases.

It's been a great effort from our school and wider community, health workers, scientists, and technicians and the thousands of people who have been tested across New Zealand.

We therefore look forward to welcoming all of you back onsite tomorrow.

Alert Level 2 still has some restrictions for our school with the main one being that children should not be breathing on or touching each other, as much as practicable.

Our focus as always will be to support the learning, safety and wellbeing of our rangatahi and tamariki and we continue to be here to support you as well.

The Rise UP Academy Level 2 procedures will be similar to last time and the following guidelines will be in place.

- 1. There will be no library visits or school trips during Level 2. The After School programme will operate only on Monday and Wednesday.
- 2. All Parents/Visitors/Staff must sign in at the reception using our QR Code.
- 3. Parents MUST pack your children's water bottles.
 Children will not be able to drink from the water fountains mouthpiece, (these will be taped up) only to refill their bottles.
- 4. Parents PLEASE ensure children pack and return their Chromebooks and readers on their first day back.

With your support of the school rules and guidelines we can all help to ensure our school staff and students are kept safe and well at Rise UP Academy.

Arohanui, Sita Selupe Principal