



## Principal's Update

Greetings to you all,

I hope that you and your families are all safe and well and that you were able to enjoy the beautiful sunshine over the last few days?

The Prime Minister announced that Auckland will stay at COVID **Alert Level 3 until Monday 18<sup>th</sup> October** at which time the Government will review the COVID Level status.

The Prime Minister's strong message is that we need to all stay in our bubbles and essentially schools should remain closed.

In light of this Government announcement, De La Salle College will **start Term 4 this Monday 18<sup>th</sup> with on-line teaching and learning** until we move to Level 2.

That means you should keep your children home from school for this period.

De La Salle College staff have been informed that they must all meet the new Government rule for being vaccinated by November 15<sup>th</sup> and having had a negative COVID test before returning to teach at the College.

Any scheduled College events, Sports, Trips, Parent Partnership Meetings, Leaver's events and Prize Giving's will be on hold until we are at Level 2 or 1.

When we do return to Level 2 we would love to see all of our young men back at school and we will make conditions as safe as we can for them to recommence face to face learning.

Your son's Teachers will continue to provide teaching on-line in lesson times. His Teachers will make contact with him and your son is expected to ask any questions should he have any issues with his work.

Home Room teachers will be expecting their Home Room students to meet on their TEAMS page this week for important video meetings about the start to Term 4.

Please do not hesitate to contact your son's Homeroom teacher or Dean if you have any concerns about your son's on-line learning.

I would like to thank the many Parents who took the time to reply to our **College Survey** on how the College responded to this Lockdown and your thoughts on how we can help our young men cope with getting back to school when that day arrives. Your thoughts have been very valuable and I will send all Parents the outcome from the Survey as soon as it has all been analysed.

I personally thank you as **Parents** for the wonderful work that you are doing in leading your families through these uncertain times. In the words of our College motto, **“You are fighting the good fight.”**

I encourage you all to take advantage of the many Vaccination Centres that are available in the community; it would be great if De La Salle College can be leaders in having our whole community vaccinated to protect us and our loved ones from this virus.

This Saturday is being called **“Super Saturday”** and there will be many opportunities for our community to have their vaccination. Please check all radio, TV and social media sites for the locations of where you can receive your vaccination.

Further updates will be sent to you before we start school again detailing the conditions by which we return to school under Alert Level 2, which we hope will be as soon as it is safe for us all to return to the College.

I pray for you and your families to remain safe and well during these challenging times.

God bless

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Principal

  
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