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Kia Ora parents

PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE – INCLUDING RETURNING TO SCHOOL INSTRUCTIONS FOR BOTANY CAMPUS

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Elim Christian College reopens for **'safe and sensible'** face to face learning this coming Monday 18 May under Alert Level 2. **We will be calm, we won't rush, we will operate with a deep and honouring respect and we will look after the most vulnerable.**

In this newsletter you will find 'start back to school' instructions tailored for the campus your children attend. Please first take a look at this little video, it is fun and well made.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yZvtoVrykb8&feature=youtu.be>

As a school we have two initial aims for our return to school: (1) that we assure you as parents that we are taking all reasonable steps regarding health and hygiene and (2) that we take care and time to look after student and staff emotional needs as collectively we reconnect with on site life! I believe we will do this exceptionally well.

Thank you to those parents who have indicated through our survey that they have some reticence about sending their child immediately back to school. That's ok and we respect that. We have a few staff not returning immediately either. Your responses help us to get teacher-student ratios as right as they can be for next week.

We are planning one week at a time - we will review our operation, our staffing levels and also the number of students still learning from home. We will continue to be guided by the MOE and MOH.

If your child is staying at home, we will endeavour to continue distance learning. The challenge of face to face and distance means it won't be easy but with grace on both sides we are aiming for the best. We appreciate your support in this.

Back at school, we will have a **new safer normal**, we will be **vigilant**, but life will be great. The playground will be open and learning spaces will be carefully managed for terrific engagement of all age groups. There will be no large gatherings of any description. Staff and students will continue our superb online assemblies. Because we are cautious please note the following:

- **No parents or any other potential visitors will be allowed on site. This is non-negotiable but will be part of our weekly review**
- Each student must bring their own sanitiser in their bag. Additionally, we will have sanitiser in all learning spaces and bathrooms
- All campuses have been thoroughly cleaned and will continue to be cleaned daily by both our cleaners and by teaching staff
- Staff may choose to wear gloves, masks and other protective clothing. They will be sanitising often each day and ensuring they follow stringent health and hygiene protocols

- All students must follow correct procedures for start times and for accessing their campus. There will be clear signage
- If your child is sick, please don't send them to school. If we think they are sick or they become sick, we will ask you to collect them immediately.
- School buses are sanitised twice a day. Hand sanitiser will be available for each student to use as they board the vehicle. Students will not be seated close to the driver and although physical distancing is not practicable on school buses, it's a controlled environment where contact tracing can take place if required.
- In an emergency requiring an early pick up you are requested to phone the school (09) 5380368
- School water fountains are not available, so students are to bring their own drink bottles filled at home with enough water to last the day.
- Please clean your child's keyboard and other device surfaces regularly

Uniforms

Please note, all students are expected to return in full regulation school uniform, no exceptions. We expect uniforms to be clean, tidy and mended. Because it is now Term 2, the school scarf can be worn and primary students can if they wish, choose to wear the specific winter items as outlined in the student manual and website. Under garments should not be visible.

There will not be any mufti days until we have permission to collect cash.

Here is some great fun that took place during distance learning:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1L7A1hhwuoPqWANopinyq7NXoxdFIO3gO/view?usp=sharing>

"You will keep in perfect peace those whose minds are steadfast, because they trust in you." Isaiah 26:3

God bless you all and we can't wait to see students on Monday.

Botany Campus Student return to school instructions:

In order for us to assist in a calm and safe return to school, we are asking for parents to drop and go with their children. This will facilitate no additional adults on site and minimise sign-ins of parents on site to assist in potential contact tracing in the future.

All students are requested to bring hand sanitiser for their personal use during break times. The school will make sanitiser available in each classroom and used at every entry and exit to the classroom.

Start Time and finish time as normal

Entry: Only students and staff at BC permitted on site, no parents or visitors

Student cars continue to park on the road, no parking in the church carpark

Students- everyone MUST enter and exit through the green pedestrian gate and walk past admin block. No one enters through a carpark. Late comers will be followed up by Whanau leaders.

Student Pick Up: parents to remain inside their cars in the carpark.

Students are not to bring personal sports gear to school for hygiene reasons

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Regards

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亲爱的父母们你们好！

以琳基督教学校将于5月18日星期一在2级警报下重新开放“安全和明智”的面对面课堂学习。我们会保持冷静，不急进，并将怀着深切而光荣的敬意开展工作，和照顾好最需要照顾的。

在此简报中，您会找到针对您孩子的“重返校园”指示。请先看一下这个小视频，它很有趣而且饱含深意。

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yZvtoVrykb8&feature=youtu.be>

作为校方，我们制定了两个重返校园的初步目标：

- (1) 我们向作为父母的您保证，我们将采取所有合理的健康和卫生步骤；
- (2) 我们会关心并且及时的照顾学生和教职员的情感需求，因为我们一起回归到集体生活中！

我相信我们会做得非常好！

通过前期的意向调查，对立即送孩子回学校有所保留的父母们我们表示感谢和理解。我们尊重你们的决定。我们也有一些工作人员不能立即返回到工作岗位。您对调查的及时的回复帮助我们快速做出对下周的返工安排并确保正确的师生比例。

我们将每一个礼拜做一次计划，如此是为了能够更好的审查我们运营的情况，师生比例以及关照到仍在家中学习的学生人数。我们将继续以教育部和卫生部的指示作为指导方向。

如果您的孩子待在家里，我们将努力继续进行远程学习。面对面和远程学习同时进行意味着这并非易事，但是我们希望有满满的恩典让两方面都能有最佳的运作。感谢您在此方面对我们的支持。

回到学校后，我们将有一个新的更安全的常态，我们将保持警惕，但生活会很棒。操场将开放，学习空间将得到精心管理，以便使所有年龄段的学生都能参与进来。没有任何的大型聚会。教职员工将继续使用一流的在线会议。由于我们非常谨慎，请注意以下几点：

- **校园不允许父母或任何其他潜在的访客进入。这是不可协商的，但我们会每周定期再审核。**
- 每个学生必须携带自己的消毒液。此外我们也将所有学习空间和厕所内提供消毒液。
- 所有校园均已彻底清洁，我们的清洁工和教职员工将每天继续清洁。
- 工作人员可以选择戴手套，口罩和其他防护服。他们每天都会经常消毒，并确保遵守严格的健康和卫生规程。
- 所有学生在上学时间和进入校园时都必须遵循正确的程序。学校会有清晰的标识牌。
- 如果您的孩子生病了，请不要让他们上学。如果我们认为他们生病或快要生病了，我们会要求您立即把孩子接回家。
- 校车每天消毒两次。消毒洗手液会提供在车门处，每个学生上车时都可以使用。学生不会坐在靠近驾驶员的地方，尽管安全距离在校车上很难实现，但在受控的环境中比较容易联络追踪。
- 在紧急情况下如需提早接走孩子，请您致电学校，电话是（09）5380368。
- 学校的饮水机将不开放，因此学生应带上自己的水瓶，且装足够的水以维持一天的生活。
- 请定期清洁孩子的键盘和其他设备的表面

校服

请注意，所有学生无一例外均应穿戴合规的校服返校。我们希望制服要干净，整洁及修补好。因为现在是第二学期，所以可以戴学校围巾，小学生可以根据需要选择穿学生手册和网站中指定的冬季物品。校服外面不可露出其他衣服（如在夏季短袖校服里穿长袖衣服）。

我们得到允许收取现金之前，不会有便服日。

这有在远程学习期间发生的一些有趣的事情：

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1L7A1hhwuoPqWANopinyq7NXoxdFIO3gO/view?usp=sharing>

“” 坚心倚赖你的，你必保守他十分平安，因为他倚靠你。” 以赛亚书 26:3

愿上帝保佑大家，我们已经迫不及待的想在周一见到学生们了。

Botany 校区的学生指示:

为了帮助学生们从容和安全地返回学校，我们要求父母把孩子送到学校门口后即离开。如此不会在校园内增加额外的成年人，并且会减少潜在病毒的传播和支持联系追踪。

请所有学生们自备消毒洗手液以便在休息时间使用。学校也将在每个教室里提供消毒液，并在每个教室的出入口使用。

上学和放学时间均照常

校园出入：仅允许 Botany 校区的学生和教职员工进入，不允许父母或访客们

学生车辆：继续停在合法的路边，教会停车场不允许停车

学生们：每个人都必须穿过绿色的人行通道大门经过管理区进入和退出。不允许从停车场进出。每个 Whanau 的领导们将会跟进迟到者。

学生接载：父母留在停车场内在车里等候。

出于卫生原因，学生请勿携带个人运动装备。

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