



8 September 2021

Kia ora e te whaanau,

We are really looking forward to seeing our students back at school tomorrow, Thursday 9 September. Here are some key guidelines to prepare us all for this return at Alert Level 2.

- Classrooms will be open from 8.30am. Students are to go straight to their classrooms.
- Mobile phones can be handed into the office as per usual under Level 2 health procedures.
- **All students are to bring and use their own drink bottles.**
- The Ministry guidelines have stated that masks are not a requirement for anyone in a school setting; it remains options for individuals and whaanau. Where an individual chooses to use a face covering they should supply and wear their own. At Melville Intermediate, our staff will be wearing masks and we recommend that our students wear them too.
- Students who usually walk through Melville High to go home will need to walk around to avoid going through their school grounds. This applies also to MHS students walking through our grounds.
- If you need to come into the school office, please use the Covid tracer on the front doors and sign in at the desk in the front foyer
- If your child is unwell, please keep them home with you. If your child becomes unwell at school, we will ring you immediately and you will need to come collect them from our school office.
- Our lunch in school programme will resume tomorrow.
- Please contact the office 07-848 9008 or email [office@melvilleintermediate.school.nz](mailto:office@melvilleintermediate.school.nz) if your child will not be returning at Alert Level 2.

Below is some helpful information for us out and about during Alert Level 2:

- Alert levels summary  
[COVID-19 Alert Levels summary table](#)
- Support and information for whānau, hapū, and iwi Māori  
<https://covid19.govt.nz/iwi-and-communities/information-for-maori/>
- Support and information for our Pacific peoples  
<https://covid19.govt.nz/iwi-and-communities/information-for-pacific-peoples/>

We understand that coming back to school may be a time of hesitancy and heightened anxiety for some students and we will be doing our best to ensure a smooth transition. Please do not hesitate to contact your child's kaiako or myself if you need any assistance. Continue to keep safe and take care.

Kind regards,

Louise Handley  
Acting Principal

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