



CRAIGHEAD

DIOCESAN SCHOOL

Kia noho matamua ko te manaaki – Let's look after each other.

Dear Parents/Caregivers

As the Omicron surge appears to be coming closer to Timaru, we would like to remind you of our school response to this.

Our graphic, sent out on Friday, has at the top the four stages that is guiding our Craighead response to Omicron. These are outlined here again:

STAGE 1: - Craighead is fully open

STAGE 2: - Craighead is open but there is the possibility of fewer staff and students onsite

STAGE 3: - Craighead is open, learning is online, bubbles are created to supervise onsite students

STAGE 4: - Craighead is closed, all learning is online although this could be limited by staff illness.

TEACHING AND LEARNING

Teaching and learning will continue to take place throughout any outbreak. The school will remain physically open in Stages 1 – 3 although learning programmes will move increasingly to an online platform if, and when absences increase.

GOOGLE CLASSROOM

All teachers have created Google Classrooms for Years 9 -13, Years 7 and 8 use SeeSaw and other platforms to keep in touch online. All students will have been invited to join these classrooms, please check with your daughter to ensure that she has accepted this invitation. Teachers are currently using Google Classroom to post information about the day's lesson, along with resources and, in some cases, individual feedback.

If your daughter is off school for any reason, she needs to check her Google Classroom for the work being covered in her classes. We do not expect her catch up or complete work if she is ill. As she begins to recover all classes, she has missed, will be available to her online. Students also need to check their emails daily. Most teachers are scheduling work to be released to their Google Classroom around 8.30 each morning.

Parents are able to be a part of these Google Classrooms and can receive an update of work, via email, covered in classes at the end of the day. If you wish to be able to see what your daughter could be completing, then please contact her classroom teacher and they will invite you to their 'classroom'.



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KO CRAIGHEAD KI A MĀTOU

AT SCHOOL ILLNESS

If your daughter starts to feel ill at school there are processes in place that she must follow, these are:

- advising their teacher who will send them to the School Office if they are in class
- going straight to the School Office if it is interval or lunchtime
- the Office will then send your daughter to our School Medical Officer who will assess her
- parents will be contacted if our SMO believes that their daughter needs to go home – she will also advise of next steps e.g. testing
- your daughter can then be collected from the School Office after she has signed out from here.

Parents should not be contacted directly by their daughter during school hours. It is very important that students do not leave the school site without signing out at the School Office. We thank you for your co-operation and support with this.

OFF SITE

Please note that if your daughter is off school due to any illness, she must only return when she is completely recovered. Students who are symptomatic with cold/flu or Covid-19 will be sent to our Medical Officer and in most cases, parents will be contacted. If your daughter is displaying any of the following symptoms, please keep her at home until they have resolved:

- a new or worsening cough
- sneezing and runny nose
- fever
- temporary loss of smell or altered sense of taste
- sore throat
- shortness of breath

Less common symptoms of COVID-19 may include diarrhoea, headache, muscle aches, nausea, vomiting, malaise, chest pain, abdominal pain, joint pain, earache, or confusion/irritability. These almost always occur with one or more of the common symptoms.

HOUSEHOLD CONTACTS

You are considered a Household Contact if you live with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19.

A Household Contact is considered to be someone who:

- shares a house or flat on a permanent or part-time basis (for example, shared custody) with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19, **and**
- has spent at least 1 night or day in that residence while the case was infectious.

These people are not considered Household Contacts, but may be Close Contacts:

- People who live in the same group accommodation as the person with COVID-19 (for example, in aged residential care facilities, halls of residences, boarding houses, hostels, backpackers, and transitional housing).
- Partners who do not live with the person who has COVID-19 but may have spent a night together.

Please contact Healthline or your GP if your daughter has symptoms, alternatively you may wish to just head straight to the testing station. We ask that you keep your daughter home from school until her symptoms have resolved and if she has been tested, a negative test returned. Please advise the school of the outcome of any Covid-19 Testing.

What type of **contact** are you?

