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## Principal's Newsletter Term 2 Week 3

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Kia Ora, Kia Orana, Malo, Talofa Lava, Bula Vanaka, Malo e Lelei, Fakaalofa Lahi atu, Namaste, Talofa Ni and Warm Pasifika Greetings!

In today's school newsletter we cover points of interest since our return to school on Tuesday with staff and then yesterday with students.

## Teacher/Support Staff Only Day (Tuesday 28 April)

We worked with staff to review and update our health and safety plan.

The Ministry of Education provided us with the **School Readiness Plan** which highlights the public health requirements, emergency management and first aid provisions for COVID-19.

As a result of this collaboration, all staff have a good understanding of what we need to have in place at school. Some examples of this; organising arrival and leaving procedures, rostered break times, cleaning sports equipment and designated play areas, physical and social distancing, maintaining hygiene routines. It is important to note that all staff have an important role to play, whether they work from home or at school. Teachers will continue to support learners.

## Staff and children returning to school (Wednesday 29 April)

Nine children attended school yesterday and were assigned to three bubbles. Each bubble has a teacher. A roster has been established by the staff to cover the next two weeks. Today we had seven children with two bubbles.

A reminder that If your circumstances change where a child must attend school, you will need to give the school office **24 hours notice** please.

The 'Student Wellbeing and Learning from Home' survey was sent to Year 4-8 children today by class teachers. Malfroy School was one of 75 schools in New Zealand who were invited by the Education Review Office (ERO) to take part in this survey.

"The Government wants to find out how well students are coping during the Covid-19 crisis and has asked our school if our students could take part in a national survey. The information they get from this survey will be used to help them plan and support schools over the coming months.

Answers to this survey are anonymous. We will be able to see the results for our school, but we will not be able to see what any one student has scored.

This is a very important survey to help schools and the government find out how students are feeling, as we help each other get through this challenging time."

The survey **closes 5.00pm Friday 1 May (tomorrow)**. We would appreciate parents and caregivers to please check your child has had an opportunity to complete the survey. Thank you!

## United we stand! Stay alert, stay safe!

Nga mihi Nicky Brell & Staff

Biking around the cones on the turf has been a lot of fun.





