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Dear Parents/Caregivers and Whānau

With the possibility of having Covid cases at school becoming more and more likely, I would like to give you an overview of what we think may happen. I have attached two documents which I hope will explain how Kirkwood will work when we get cases. The first document looks at a wide picture – how we think things may develop as we work through the process. The second document clearly explains what will happen during the current "phase 2" response level.

The key behind this is our attempt to keep school open under changing conditions. We hope to be able to provide in school learning for all as much as we can. When case numbers grow, we will need to shift to on-line learning for most of our students, whilst trying to provide in school learning for those children of essential workers who cannot be safely supervised otherwise.

I'm sure you will agree that this is very much a developing situation. We will do our best to make sure you are fully informed, and I know that by working together we will get through this.

As always, thanks very much for your support and understanding.

Kind regards

Phil Tappenden Principal