12 October 2021

## **COVID-19 Alert Level 3 – Community Communication #8**

## Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Our government has kept with their cautious approach when responding to COVID-19, and as a result, we will stay at Alert Level 3 for a bit longer.

While we know how difficult it is trying to work from home as well as support your child's learning, please keep your child at home if there is an appropriate carer available. For those of you with no other option but to send your child to school, you will need to book a space in one of our Onsite Learning Bubbles. To do so, please complete the attached survey NO LATER THAN Wednesday 13th October, 5pm.



If your situation changes after you have submitted the survey (including adding/removing days your child will be onsite), please email <a href="mailto:office@stthomas.school.nz">office@stthomas.school.nz</a>

Please note that we can not accept students onsite who have not returned a survey and booked into a bubble due to the allocation of resources and staffing. If your child turns up for school during Alert Level 3, and we have not been notified at least 24 hours prior, we will be unable to accept them.

For those who are attending school during Alert Level 3 - all our usual safety precautions will be in place which include all the recommendations from the public health experts. This means students will be kept in bubbles of no more than 10. You can also assist everyone's safety by keeping your child at home if they are feeling unwell.

For those who are NOT attending school during Alert Level 3 - we will continue to support all students through our existing Learning From Home programme.

Ngā mihi, Michael Maher

## **SURVEY ON HERO**

Please indicate which days your child WILL BE ATTENDING school under Alert Level 3 for Term 4 \*\* Response required by 5pm Wednesday 13th October \*\*