

Afternoon Parents and Students

The purpose of this email is to give a clear picture of what school is going to look like when it goes to online classes on Monday next week. As you may well have heard the government has announced we will continue to be in Alert Level 4.

Information for Online Learning

1. Online-distance learning occurs from home.
2. Attendance:
 - a. Attendance will be marked for each class, so it is important that students connect with their class through Google Classroom or another platform that the teacher has communicated to the students.
 - b. It would be appreciated that you inform year level deans of any extended absence:
 - i. Year 7-9: Miss Davidson - brooked@lac.school.nz
 - ii. Year 10: Matua Dee - deen@lac.school.nz
 - iii. Year 11, 12: Mrs Paul - julianap@lac.school.nz
 - iv. Year 13: Mr Wright - nigelw@lac.school.nz
 - c. Teachers have been asked to contact home where absence becomes an issue.
 - d. Where there are concerns about your child(s) wellbeing, please contact our counsellor Francis Aiono Francisa@lac.school.nz.
3. Daily timetable:
 - a. Period 1 - 4 (period 5 will be taken off the timetable) each day:
 - i. 9.00am: Period 1
 - ii. 10.00am: Period 2
 - iii. 11.00am: Break
 - iv. 11.30am: Period 3
 - v. 12.30pm: Period 4
 - vi. 1.30pm: End of school day
 - b. Note that Thursday will revert to Mon, Tue, Wed and Fri times. **All days will end at 1.30.** Where possible we encourage students to use the afternoon to get some physical activity and avoid a screen(s).
4. Expectations for online learning:
 - a. Students need to be informed by teachers about the platform that is being used to engage in their learning (eg, Google Classroom, Zoom etc).
 - b. Teachers have been asked to have clear learning outcomes for each scheduled class. These will be communicated to students prior to the class and therefore be available to parents.
 - c. The student needs to be available to their teachers in their scheduled class at the scheduled class period time.
 - d. Students should attempt to limit contact with teachers to their assigned class time only.
5. Teacher absences:
 - a. If for any reason a teacher can't get online (they are unavailable) the teacher will advise students through Google Classroom or email.
6. Please observe guidelines from the government that have been given for COVID-19 Level 4.

If you need a device

Any students who need a device must contact Ms Burnett preferably by midday Sunday (dp@lac.school.nz). The school will organise the delivery of the device and will ring you to establish a mutually convenient time. The device will be placed in your letterbox, you will be rung again and we will visually confirm you picking up the device (from a distance). As the parent you will be responsible for the return of the device to school when students return to school. Any damage to the device, or loss of the device, will be your financial responsibility.

Any changes to the above will be communicated to you and are most likely to be due to a future government announcement. Tuesday next week will be the next update from government.

In the meantime stay warm, keep cuddling those in your bubble and get prepared for the online classes on Monday. If you have a question or concern and you are not sure who to contact feel free to email me principal@lac.school.nz or ring me 021 466069, stay safe. Looking forward to students returning to school.

Blessings to you and your family

Brendan van Oostveen

Psalm 46:1 God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble.