RidgeView School - Risk Mitigation Plan Level 3 Step 2

We are delighted to welcome students back to school starting on **Wednesday 17 November 2021.** School will be open on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

In order to ensure the health and safety of everyone at school, we ask that everyone follows the following plan. **Please talk to your child(ren) about these expectations before they come back to school – we will ask you to collect any child who does not adhere to expectations.**

If your child is sick, please do not send him or her to school. We will contact you to collect your child if they are unwell in any way.

1. Organisation

* The children will be organised into three class bubbles. These bubbles will operate as independent units – they will not be allowed to interact with each other.
* We will organise the classroom so that each child has his own table and seat, with the maximum distance between each child.
* Doors and windows will be open to encourage good ventilation.
* The children will be encouraged to work outside as much as is practical.
* We will schedule regular hand washing and sanitising times built into our timetable.
* Years 4 – 6 teachers and students will wear masks. The wearing of masks will be mandated by 17 November and you can only get an exemption on medical grounds from your GP. Masks do not need to be work outside.
* Each class will have its own play area. The children will not be allowed to interact with other classes.

1. Cleaning

* Hands cleaned regularly according to schedule
* All surfaces including tables, door handles, light switches disinfected every day.

1. Pick of and drop off

* Children in current essential workers bubble may be dropped off at 8.30am
* All other children must arrive at school between 8.50am and 9.00am
* We will have a staggered pick up time in order to avoid interaction between bubbles and crowds at the gate.

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| **Class** | **Pick Up Time** |
| Waahi Koru | 2.15pm |
| Waahi Pitau | 2.30pm |
| Waahi Pakari | 2.45pm |
| Current Essential Worker Bubble | Up to 3.00pm |

* Younger children may wait in their classroom until their older sibling has finished for the day.
* Parents who come to school to drop off or pick up children **must** wear a mask and keep 2m distance from other parents.

1. Visitors

* The gates will be kept locked during the school day. If you want to fetch your child or drop something off. please call 027 593 5963 when you get to school. This number is on the gate.
* Only essential personnel and workers are allowed on school property. They have all followed the Ministry of Health mandate of vaccinations and testing.
* Currently we may not hold any events including assemblies, markets day, prizegiving etc.

1. What to bring to school

* Please wear school uniform.
* You must wear a school hat!
* Please bring a drink bottle – the drinking fountain is not to be used.
* Bring morning tea, lunch, and brain food as usual.
* Please return any devices or books that you have received from the school.
* We are hoping to open the pool. You will need to bring togs and towel and every day. Goggles are recommended.