



As we navigate the Phase 3 of the Covid-19 Omicron outbreak, there may be cases that start to arise in our Wairakei School community.

Communication with our school community, once a case is confirmed, will be guided by Public Health and the Ministry of Education.

Planning for the possibility of absent staff and/or students is complex and will require flexibility and patience from everyone involved in and around our school.

The information on this page is a step by step guide of what to do for your child and who to notify as cases emerge.

Your child tests positive for Covid-19

Contact the school as soon as possible.

Self isolate for 10 days.

Your child can return to school on day 11 if no symptoms.

A household whānau member tests positive for Covid-19

Contact the school as soon as possible. Your child is a household contact

Isolate for 10 days, monitor for symptoms, and get a test on day 3 and day 10

Your child can return to school on day 11 if no symptoms.

Your child is a close contact of a positive case not in their house

Inform the school

Your child can continue to attend school

negative test.

A household whānau member is a close contact of a positive case

Inform the school

Your child can continue to attend school

Monitor your child for any symptoms and get tested if unwell. Your child can return to school after a negative test.

PHASE 3 FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q My child has tested positive for Covid-19. What does this mean?

A

- Your child (and everyone living in your house) will need to self-isolate for 10 days
- Testing will happen on Day Three and Day Ten.
- **If at school**, we will anonymously notify wider school community of the initial cases to encourage watching for symptoms
- **If at home**, your whānau will be close contacts and also need to self-isolate as per the guidelines

Q My child is a close contact of someone living in our household. What does this mean?

A

In Phase 3, being a **household contact** means your child (along with all those living in your house) must self-isolate for ten days. Testing will happen on Day Three and Day Ten. Your child can stop isolating and return to school after a negative Day 10 test.

Q My child is a close contact of a case not associated with our household. (This may be in school or out of school.) Can they come to school?

A

Your child can come to school. Anyone who is a close contact of a non-household member does not need to self-isolate. **This will include positive cases in your child's class.** We will notify you if this occurs so you can watch for symptoms. Self-isolate and get tested should symptoms develop.

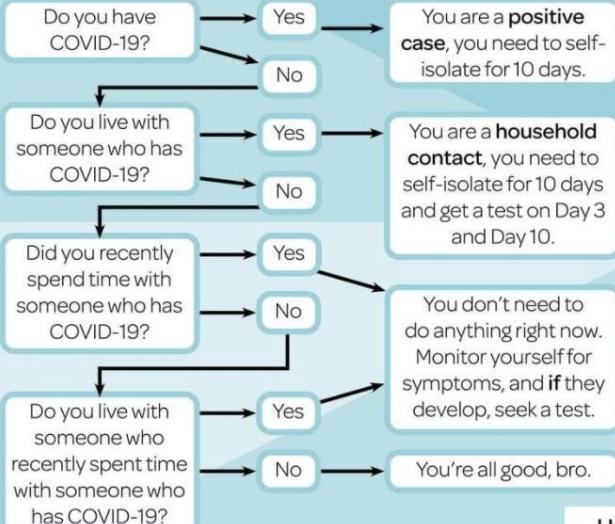
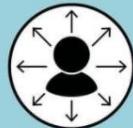
Q My child is self-isolating. What school-work will be available?

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The student workspace with a range of learning activities will be available for whānau to access. If there are situations where staff are isolating as well as a class, we will shift to a distance learning programme. If a student is unwell, there is no expectation for them to do any work.



What type of contact are you?



Updated guide to self-isolation



You will need to self-isolate from others if you:

are positive for COVID-19

live with a positive case

You must isolate at home or in suitable alternative accommodation. If you test positive for COVID-19, a health professional will help you decide if managed isolation is suitable for you.

Isolate for 10 days from when you test positive

Isolate for 10 days

No further tests required unless directed to

Tests on Day 3 and Day 10

Financial support may be available - check our website to find out what you may be eligible for: [Covid19.govt.nz/financial-support/](https://www.Covid19.govt.nz/financial-support/)

This information is accurate as at 24 February 2022. However, it may be updated if phases of the Omicron response change. For the most up to date information, please visit our website at www.Covid19.govt.nz