

1st February 2023

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Kia ora everyone

Thank you all for your support and understanding with the change of details for the start of 2023.

As you know, on Monday this week, the Secretary for Education took the decision to direct schools and other education providers in Auckland to close for on-site instruction (learning) because of the weather emergency and the need to reduce traffic on roads.

This initial direction was until the 7th of February, which is the last day by which schools had to start their term under education regulations.

We have just been informed by The Secretary for Education, Iona Holsted, that she has undertaken her daily review of this direction to close. After her review today, the Secretary has lifted the Direction to close.

Having considered this decision, The Board has decided that our tamariki will still start on Tuesday 7th of February (the day after Waitangi day). All schools in our local area are opening on the 7th so there is a consistent approach for our community. We hope this will make things easier for your whānau.

A reminder about details for Tuesday 7th February.

- All students will return to school
- Year 8 students at 8.45am
- Year 7 students and new Year 8 students assemble on the top court at 9.45am.
- Powhiri in the hall at 10am parents are welcome to attend

Please contact the school office if you have any questions or if there is anything you need us to know about before school starts on the 7th February.

Ngā mihi nui.

Bridgette Ferguson
Board Presiding Member

Mark Whitford Principal / Tumuaki