

Kia ora Parents and Caregivers,

I wanted to let you know that we were emailed by Rosmini College and The Uniform Group late this afternoon, both informing us that they are locations of interest following positive Covid cases at their locations.

Three people who attended a Filo Night (Filipino Cultural Event) at Rosmini College on Friday 13 August have returned positive results. We understand some of our students may also have attended this event. If this is you or your daughter, please don't panic - you will be contacted by the Ministry of Health if at risk, but in the meantime, it's important to follow Ministry Guidelines - which are to isolate at home and call Healthline for information on how to get tested.

The Uniform Group has also said that a person who visited their store on View Road has tested positive. The person was instore on Monday 16 August 2021 between 2.30pm and 2.45pm. If you were in the store during that time on that day, please follow Ministry of Health Guidelines.

We know it's a worrying time with so many Covid cases and locations of interest here on the North Shore. As a school, we will inform you if we know a location could have a particular connection to our school community – such as the two mentioned in this email.

On another note, I sent an email to our students today, informing them that our Senior Leadership Team has made the decision not to hold our school exams as scheduled for 20 September to 1 October. This is due to the uncertainty of when school will be able to return, and the stress this can cause in exam preparation. We want to give our students the best opportunity to enjoy their learning through this challenging time, without an unnecessary workload.

Once back, we also want to maximise class time for students, in particular those who are needing to prepare a portfolio for NCEA, as these are difficult to work on at home.

Finally, we will not be holding derived grade tests like we did last year. Instead, teachers are able to gather evidence from work completed to date.

Thank you for your continued support of our school and of your daughter's learning. We know that working together as a community was successful in previous lockdowns, and we appreciate your input as a valued part of our school whānau.

Once again, please do contact your daughter's teachers or deans if you have concerns or questions.

Kindest regards

Jane Stanley
Principal