

**16th March 2022**

**COVID-19 Update** – Thank you for your support and compliance with the current regulations for schools operating.

We have had/have five school families who have positive cases within their families. This means those families isolating at home. These absences plus other absences (including unwell children) have had an impact on our daily roll numbers. For two days last week we had ten children away.

The difficult situation, which you will understand, is when we have teaching staff absences due to Covid-19. It is highly likely that we would have several Staff away, due to our “family” operating mode. It is very difficult to obtain relievers in the current pandemic situation.

Teaching Staff absences would mean that we safeguard our families and other Staff by closing our school for the seven day period, that is presently set for isolation.

**Board of Trustee’s Parent representatives** - We currently have vacancies on our Board. If you are interested in becoming a trustee or have any questions about trusteeship, please contact Shane our BoT chairperson on **022 195 5480**.



**Swimming Pool keys** – Our school & community pool officially closed last Friday. If you have one of our pool keys could you please return them to the school office by Friday April 1<sup>st</sup>. There is a \$10 refund for returning your key by this date. Thanks.



**School Shuttle van service** – Good news! We have had two parents offer to drive our school shuttle for two days each. This means we will be able to reinstate our shuttle service for Monday through to Thursday. Unfortunately, with illnesses and isolation we cannot provide a set start date. We will keep you posted.

If you could help with the Friday run, please contact me. Any other shuttle questions please give Livia a call.

**Community Dental Service** - The Community Dental Service is suspending some of services from the 9<sup>th</sup> March to provide support to the Canterbury health sector in response to Omnicron. They will continue to provide relief of pain clinics by appointment only from Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> March. You can access these appointments by calling the Contact Centre on 0800 846 983.



**Fairton Flyer** – Our next issue is due out next week. If you have a notice or advertisement, please contact Livia by 12 noon Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March.

Stay safe out there  
Kind regards  
Mike



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