



Monday 17th July, 2023

IMPORTANT CHANGES : CHILDREN EXITING SCHOOL AT THE END OF THE DAY

Kia ora e te whānau

Due to feedback from whānau and recent events that have put our students at risk, we have reviewed our school exit procedures. This is to maximise the safety for our youngest and most vulnerable children. These important changes will come into effect on Monday 24th July. Please read the details carefully and make contact if required. Your support will be necessary as we implement these changes.

NEW PROCEDURE: CHILDREN EXITING SCHOOL AT THE END OF THE DAY

The following is effective from Monday 24th July:

Children in Years 0 to Year 2 will have pick up time from 2:45pm. This means that if you have a child in any of the following rooms you can collect them from 2:45pm: Room 1, Room 2, Room 3, Room 4, Room 5, Room 6, Room 7, Whare Reo Juniors and Room 8. Senior students with siblings in these rooms will also be dismissed at 2:45pm so they can meet their younger siblings.

Children in Years 0 to Year 2 will ONLY be released to an adult or senior sibling. This process will be supervised by the classroom teacher and will happen outside the classroom or inside if wet. With the exception of Whare Reo juniors who will wait outside Room 2.

If Y0-Y2 children have not been collected by 3.10pm the children will be brought to the office by the class teacher and home will be contacted to come and collect them. The exception is if they are waiting until 3:15pm for a sibling from Tauranga Girls' College.

In short, our children in YO- Y2 will not be released to walk home by themselves or to make their way to surrounding carparks. Parents/Caregivers will need to come and collect their child(ren) from outside the classroom. The only exception is if we have written permission from the parent/caregiver to the classroom teacher.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

I have a child in Y0-Y2. What is the best thing for me to do?

The safest option is to arrive at 2:45 pm, park in the church carpark and collect your child from their class.

Can I wait in the car for my child (Y0-Y2) ?

No.

Where shall I park?

The church carpark. There is ample parking here and it is safe and close. The Girls' College carpark is out of bounds to us and is also very unsafe due to the multiple traffic movements that occur.

My child goes to Coastkids and/or they use the school van. What happens now?

Nothing changes as children in Y0-Y2 are already collected from their class by a Learning Assistant.

I have two children(Y0-Y2), can they make their way home together?

No.

I have special circumstances and this is not going to work for me?

Please contact the classroom teacher so we can work this through with you. Written permission from the parent/caregiver to the classroom teacher will be required.

I have a young child(Y0-Y2) and older ones (Y3-6). How does this work?

Your older child(ren) will be released from class at 2:45pm, they can pick up the younger child and leave school together.

My children are all older than Y2. What happens?

Nothing changes. They will be dismissed at 2:55pm to make their way home as usual.

Thanks in anticipation for your support with these changes.
Any queries, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Ngā mihi nui,

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