



Moving to ALERT LEVEL 3 - Students returning

Kia ora,

The quick move to Alert Level 4, high volumes of testing for COVID in the community, extensive wastewater testing, huge numbers of New Zealanders being vaccinated (more than 2.8 million people have now received their first dose) and an amazing response by Aucklanders to follow the rules at Alert level 4, has given Government confidence that we might move to Alert Level 3 on Wednesday next week. Until then, we remain at Alert Level 4.

When we do move to Alert Level 3, you legally must stay within your household bubble unless for essential personal movement, including going to work and going to school.

All going well, we will be open on Wednesday next week, for only the small number of children who need to attend. As you imagine, it will not be school as we know it under Alert Level 2 or 1. All our usual safety precautions for Alert Level 3 will be in place which include following all the recommendations from the public health experts.

This means we will regularly clean and disinfect high-touch surfaces, encourage everyone to frequently wash their hands and cover their coughs and sneezes, and keep everyone physically distanced from others as much as possible (one metre inside and two metres outside). We will also keep school bubbles to no more than 10 students. These bubbles will not mix with other bubbles.

Our contact tracing systems will be in place, which includes our attendance register and visitor register, and we will be limiting staff onsite with the majority of our team working from home.

You can also assist everyone's safety by keeping your child at home if they are feeling unwell and please do contact your GP or Healthline, to seek advice about getting tested.

We will continue to support all children who remain learning from home, through our distance learning programme.

While we know how difficult it is trying to work from home as well as support your child's learning, please keep your child at home if there is an appropriate carer available. For those of you with no other option, we will look forward to seeing your child at school next week. **YOU MUST REGISTER YOUR CHILD TO RETURN at ALERT LEVEL 3 by emailing admin@sjs.school.nz**

We should be proud of how we have responded to this outbreak, but the mahi isn't yet done. As you have been doing, please continue to follow all the alert level requirements at Alert Level 4 and stay at home. It is the best tool we have to keep our whānau and community safe.

Ngā mihi,
Be safe, Be kind
Carolyn Massey
PRINCIPAL

SUPPORT

This is a challenging time for many families – high stress levels, children at home, cut off from family and friends.

If you or anyone you know wants some advice or support over this time here are some options that might be useful. Support services that remain open:

Womens Refuge 0800REFUGE

Shine 0508 744 633

Alcohol and Drug Helpline 0800 787 797

Oranga Tamariki call centre 0508FAMILY

CADS 09 845 1818

Narcotics Anonymous 0800 628 632

Alcoholics Anonymous 0800 229 6757

Lifeline 0800 543 354 or free text 4357

Youthline 0800 376 633

Samaritans 0800 726 666

Outline (LGBT) 0800 688 5463

Depression Helpline 0800 111 757

Suicide Prevention Helpline 0508 828 865

Work and Income services centres are closed, however you can apply for assistance via MyMSD or phone the contact centre on 0800 559 009.

If you need some assistance with food these food banks may be able to help out, ring first for instructions of how they are operating to ensure physical distancing:

Auckland City Mission, City 09 303 9200

Salvation Army Royal Oak 09 639 1103

Vinnies Auckland, Newton 09 815 6122 or 0800 6800

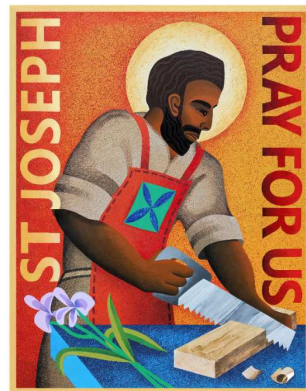
Hope Centre, New Lynn 02108048436

Vision West, Glen Eden (Mon, Wed, Fri only) 09 818 0716

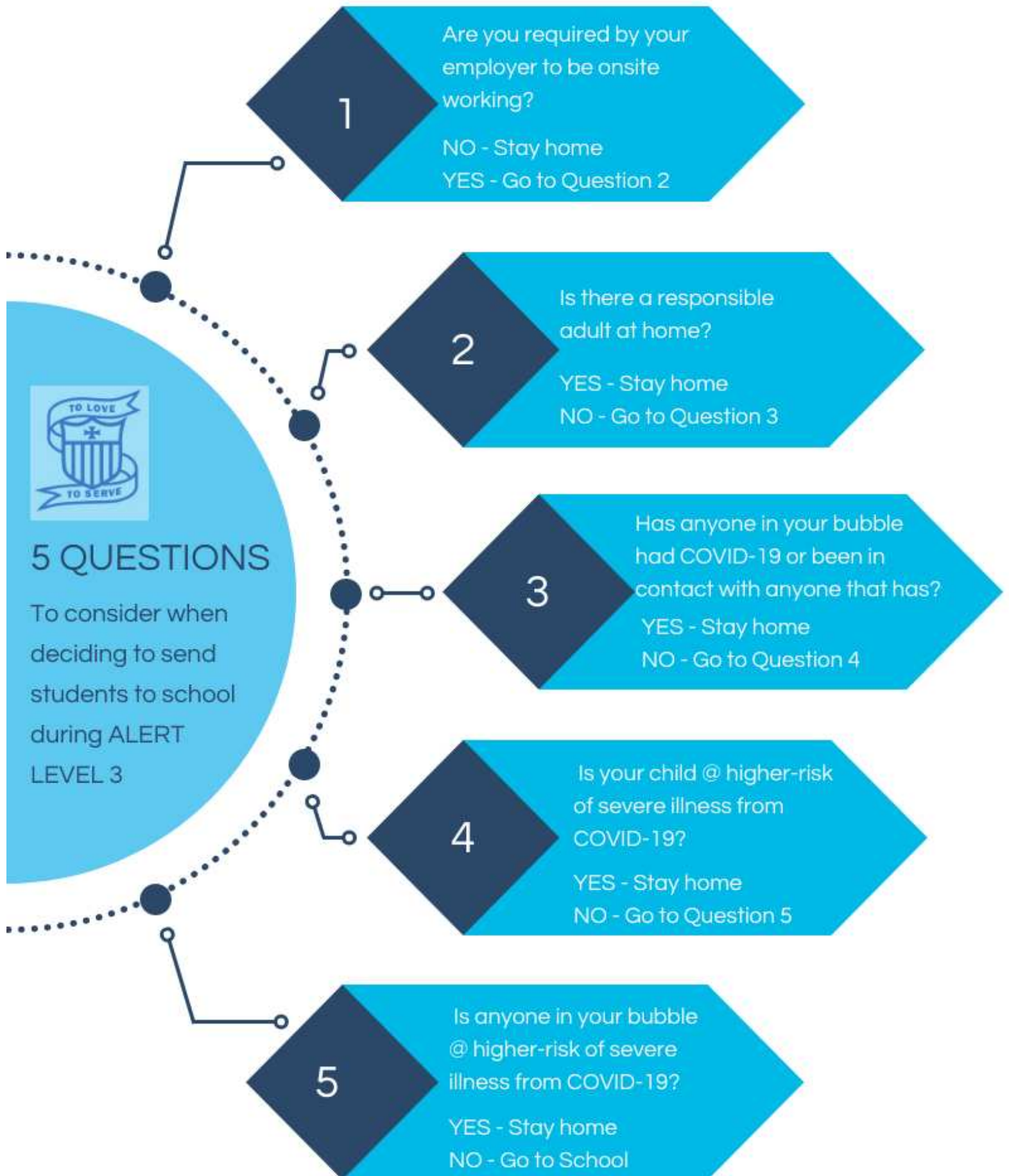
**Be kind,
stay home,
save lives.**



New Zealand Government



Who should return to school at ALERT LEVEL 3 on Wednesday 22 September



Register your child to return to school - admin@sjs.school.nz

Wellbeing in your bubbles

Wellbeing while in Lockdown is of high importance to us at St Joseph's. We know that this extended lockdown creates additional stress to households. For our parents, thank you - we see you being teachers, parents, workers and this is a hard juggle.

If you need to reduce stress and give your child a day off learning, please do. A happy bubble is important!



ST JOSEPH'S
CATHOLIC SCHOOL
ONEHUNGA



Home Learning Giveaway

Yes we are doing it AGAIN next week!!



Is your child a 'HOME LEARNING HERO'?

Nominate your child to win a
Chromebook

Nominations close Friday 17 September @ midday

WINNER DRAWN 5pm Friday 17 September

WELLBEING

TEACHERS OFFLINE FRIDAY 17 SEPTEMBER



Wellbeing while in Lockdown is of high importance to us at St Joseph's. As such our teachers will be offline on Friday 17 September. Work will be posted online for the day for our tamariki as it normally is, however our teachers will not be holding any online meetings or be available via email during the day.

This is supported by SJS BOT, and is a day for our teachers to focus on their well-being during lockdown.



St Joseph's Catholic School
Alert Level 3
September 2021



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If you need supervision for your child please email:
admin@sjs.school.nz
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Stopping our movement
stops the virus.
Stay home.

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Ministry Learning packs available



To register email
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