

Principal's Update, 1st February

Dear parents and caregivers

We look forward to welcoming you all back to school tomorrow.

- In an effort to reduce congestion at the front gate we are once again offering the optional 2.30pm early pick up from school entry points. Please email your teacher should you like to collect your child early. For parents collecting children at 2.55pm please arrange a designated area that you will meet them (preferably not the front gate). The teachers of New Entrant / Year 1 classes, will bring the class to the front gate for collection.
- It is essential for contact tracing purposes that we have all families current contact details (including at least one emergency contact). If there have been any changes from last year please select the <u>Link</u> to update contact details
- Buses will be operating as normal. If your child is a bus user, please select the <u>link</u> to update our bus contact lists.
- Kelly Club will be operating before and after school care. Bookings essential.
- There is no tuckshop/school lunch service available this term.
- We do understand that some families may be hesitant about children returning to school. We
 want to assure you that the staff have been fully briefed on all the red level requirements. All
 staff will be wearing masks in the classroom, and all rooms are fully ventilated. The <u>link</u>
 identifies the School's Health and Safety plan.
- We are unable to provide on line learning as well as class teaching, and encourage you to support your child's attendance, unless they are medically unwell or your family is in isolation. Please advise the school office if your child will not be at school—through the absence telephone line, School APP or email admin@albany.school.nz, with the reason for their absence.

Together in learning

Maree Bathurst Principal