



St Patrick's College Silverstream

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Vision Statement

St Patrick's College, Silverstream is a boys' school of excellence, founded on Catholic and Marist values and traditions where students develop knowledge, skills, attitudes and values which enable them to become compassionate, just and successful citizens. Our students are challenged and motivated to achieve personal excellence in an innovative learning environment enhanced by tradition, superb facilities, quality teaching and a supportive College community



Tēnā koutou katoa, Greetings everyone

Update on College Closure | Coronavirus (Covid-19)

Schools across New Zealand will shut from Wednesday night. The Rt. Hon. Prime Minister Jacinda Ardern in a nationwide address raised New Zealand's alert Level 3 with the most extreme Level 4, coming in in 48 hours. Prime Minister confirmed New Zealand's Covid-19 alert level has risen to three and the country will go into a full lockdown in 48 hours.

Schools across New Zealand will be closed from tomorrow, except to the children of essential workers such as doctors, nurses, ambulance drivers and police. This will be temporary, and schools will close entirely from midnight Wednesday.

As a result of the recent announcement by the Prime Minister this is our understanding:

1. The school is closed as of tomorrow, Tuesday 24 March 2020, for four weeks.
2. Any upcoming due dates for assessment work will be renegotiated once the school reopens.
3. We have received some requests for students to come on-site to collect work or equipment; this can only happen tomorrow by 3.00pm. Some staff will be available on-site.
4. We will keep in touch with you as we receive any updated information.
5. We will email updated information tomorrow explaining what online learning is available.
6. Boarders are to be going home and all possessions taken home as per end of term break.

We ask for God's blessing on all our community at this time.

Sectare Fidem

Grahame Duffy
Rector