

COVID-19

Frequently Asked Questions



Self-isolation

A member of my household needs to self-isolate. Can my son attend school? No. Medbury has made the decision, in the best interests of our entire school community, to isolate any boy who lives in a household where a family member needs to self-isolate. Please complete [this form](#) if your son is in this position. Note: at this time this decision differs from the NZ Government view that 'you can remain in the same house – just keep your distance'. We believe the best thing for our community is to self-isolate the entire household.

We will keep my son well clear of the self-isolating family member. Can my son attend school?

No. We need to be clear and consistent and err on the side of caution.

My son is isolating because of a family member. Is he expected to do school work?

If your son is well, we would expect and encourage him to complete school work. Your son's teacher will be able to provide guidance on this. Keeping your son in a routine would be helpful for his wellbeing.

My son was isolated because of a family member and has started to develop symptoms. Does the school need to know?

Yes. Please ensure you inform the school if your son has been put into family isolation and subsequently developed symptoms.

Illness

My son is unwell, but I think it's unrelated to COVID-19 is there anything special I need to do?
Keep your son at home until he has made a full recovery. Please notify the school of his illness via the school app. If you believe your son may have the [symptoms](#) of COVID-19 contact the dedicated Healthline number 0800 358 5453.

Someone we have been in close contact with is currently being tested for suspected COVID-19, what should we do?

As a precaution we would recommend you self-isolate your son until you can confirm the person returns a clear test. Please complete [this form](#).

My son is very anxious about the COVID-19 virus, what can we do?

It is important to be factual when talking about this virus. [This link](#) has useful information to support your discussions.

Overseas travel

We are planning an overseas trip, what should we do?

We ask that all overseas travel be registered by completing [this form](#).

What will happen when we return from overseas during the school holidays? Will we need to go into isolation for a further 2 weeks?

Medbury is following the guidelines of the Ministry of Health, the Ministry of Education and Government. We will do everything possible to keep our

community safe. We can't answer this at this time but encourage you to research the [Ministry of Health Website](#).

I know of members of the Medbury Community who are currently overseas or soon to return. Should I notify the school? No. It is the responsibility of the parents or caregivers to contact the school. Feel free to make them aware of the latest updates if you feel they may have missed them.

Other questions

Are sports, training and matches going ahead as normal?

We are currently awaiting information from the various sporting associations and will confirm whether matches will continue or not. Training will continue however there will be no Rugby and Basketball trials as such.

Is After School Care still available?

Yes, however changes have been introduced around how afternoon tea will be dispensed.

Are Boarders Lunches still available?

Yes, however these will all be take out lunches and will be consumed in Homerooms.

Are the Parent/Teacher

Conferences on? These have been cancelled on Monday 23 March and Wednesday 25 March and normal school hours will apply on these days.