

Kia ora koutou,

As you will now be aware, our kura was impacted by the flooding event last week. All our Year 1 and 2 classrooms have been impacted and we needed to lift the carpet and dispose of it. Our community stepped in to help us and I am so appreciative of our wonderful community.

The next part of the process is that the floors have to dry out before we can return to the classrooms. Hopefully this process won't take too long, however it is very important that they dry out to an acceptable level - this gets tested by a professional.

In the meantime we need to ensure that we can welcome our tamariki and get them started at school! We are lucky enough to be able to transfer the Kōwhai Room to work in the Hall.

So, on Tuesday 7 February, when our tamariki return to school, they will be going directly to the Hall. They will also be picked up from the Hall as well. Because the Hall is also used for after school care, we are asking that, if at all possible, you could pick your child up at 2.45pm from the Hall. This will ensure that there are less people in this area at 3pm.

We understand that this may not be possible for everyone to do, but we most definitely appreciate those who are able to pick up at 2.45pm.

Rest assured that the teachers have moved the equipment and furniture that they need to run the class programme effectively over in the Hall and it will be business as usual.

It would be wonderful if you could prepare your child for this change to make the transition back to school easier.

We really appreciate your understanding and flexibility in these challenging times.

If your whānau has been impacted by the flooding and we can help in any way at all, please do let us know.

See you on Tuesday... in the Hall. :)

*Ngā mihi nui*

*Megan*