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Kia ora everyone

I hope that you are well and that Term 3 is progressing very positively for you and your children.

Return to full normal timetable

All students will be returning back to their full normal timetable from Thursday, 11 August (inclusive) onwards. Thank you for your support as we balanced the hauora and well-being needs of our students and staff over the last two weeks due to the Covid and winter illnesses situation.

Mobile phones in class

I am sharing with you my wording in A3 posters that have been placed in every classroom throughout our school:

"To help student learning, mobile phones and AirPods (or similar) are not allowed to be used during subject class time.

All visible mobile phones and AirPods must be handed in to your teacher or relief teacher at the beginning of each subject class period. At the end of the period, your teacher will return the mobile phone or AirPods back to you.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Mr McAllen Principal Whanganui High School"

Please remember that mobile phones can be left at home before school begins or they can be handed in at the Student Centre at the beginning of the school day and collected from the Student Centre at the end of the school day.

If you are worried about your children potentially missing urgent messages, we have two different Year 9 students rostered on duty at the Student Centre every day to deliver messages to classes. In the case of super-urgent messages, staff members deliver messages directly to students.

Nga mihi nui

Martin McAllen PRINCIPAL