

17<sup>th</sup> August 2021

Kia Ora Parents & Caregivers,



As we head into another lockdown, we thank you all for your patience. Together we will get through this! My best advice to you all at this time, is enjoy the time with your family as much as you are able. Your tamariki will be looking to your response to the latest news as to how they should react. Be calm, enjoy the time out together.

I want to take the opportunity to remind you of our website, where there are a large number of links to great learning sites should you wish to access them for your children. [Here is the link](#) to the website. You may also like to refer to the Ministry of Education website <https://learningfromhome.govt.nz/>

It is unlikely that students will 'fall behind' in their learning with the current 3 days lockdown, however, we are here to support you as you see best. If you would like work for your children over the next 3 days, please email your child's teacher directly and they will do their best to make this available to you. Teachers will make contact with their classes tomorrow via email or SeeSaw.

Should this lockdown be for more than 3 days, please rest assured that we will be making work available to all students, via SeeSaw or Google classroom, just as we did for the last lockdown. We will be in contact with you as soon as practical, to advise how this will work for each individual classroom.

We will keep you up-to-date with any new information as it comes to hand. The following includes the official lockdown messages from the Ministry of Education:

*We are now all in Alert Level 4 which means that **our school will not be open** onsite tomorrow, for any students. This follows someone being identified with COVID-19 and who has been in the Auckland and Coromandel communities while believed to be infectious.*

*It is really important we do everything we can to keep our community safe. Alert Level 4 means we need to stay home in our bubbles and avoid any travelling as much as possible. Supermarkets, pharmacies, foodbanks and other essential services will be open – but remember to wear a face covering if you are out and about (even a scarf wrapped around your mouth and nose will help). Check in using the NZ COVID Tracer App wherever you go and please also keep a distance from people you don't know and wash your hands well and often, especially before and after using any public facilities.*

*Please go to the Ministry of Health website if you live in Auckland or the Coromandel region, or have recently visited there. There is a [list of locations](#) the confirmed case has visited while they were considered to be infectious. If you were at one of those locations **and** at the same time as specified on the website, then please follow the relevant instructions to isolate and potentially to get tested. Please keep checking that webpage as new locations may be identified over time.*

Our focus as always will be to support the learning, safety and wellbeing of our tamariki and we continue to be here to support you as well.

Please don't hesitate to contact your child's teacher or me, if there is something you need help with.

Smiles, Sonia Mudgway ☺  
Principal