

COVID- 19

ALERT LEVEL 4

StJoseph's School Te Kuiti



20/08/2021

Dear Parents and Caregivers

At the end of Lock Down Day 3

Level 4 will continue until Tuesday 24th August 11:59 am.

This is an update on how home learning looks for the staff.

The staff have prepared a google form for you to fill in please.

Fill the form in expecting the requirement for Home Learning to go past Tuesday 24th August

The Gform is to gauge your expectations for learning activities and your time available to engage with them.

Here is the link

<https://forms.gle/AVVfgzCGe1qKwaKPg9>

After listening to your feedback last lockdown and reflecting on our own curriculum delivery we have made some significant changes.

These changes show our agility in this changing covid space and our sincere concern for the wellbeing of families who are both caring and teaching their children, and working from home.

This time our we would like to focus more on generating tasks and activities that

1. Support the wellbeing of the whole whanau
2. Engage students creativity and keep them active
3. Are not direct teaching lessons
4. Encourage sharing, collaboration and connection with their peers

It is the feedback via photos, written comments, video's etc that are the most helpful in maintaining connections between students/ staff and home.

Beginning next Monday (should this lockdown continue) the staff will set up an individual hub grid with activities and/or links to activities for the week.

Some of these activities will be whole school and some will be specific to each hub i.e. Nikau, Rimu Kahikatea.

It is entirely up to you as parents whether you engage with these activities or not. You are in the best position to gauge the needs of your children. Please do not think we have expectations of engagement.

We will respect your decisions to engage at whatever level is right for your family.

If further activities or challenges are required. Please contact the class teacher who will respond to your needs.

Staff will continue to engage with each child every day via Seesaw.

(students use their own school google accounts)

Support Teachers Pamela, Sharon and Kim and Merrin (Reading Recovery) will on occasions phone families to check in on their wellbeing.

The staff are now permitted on site to get devices. These will depend on staff members being available to come comfortably on site.

Devices must be hand delivered as no parents are allowed on site. This is why the G Form will help us plan.

Please take care of each other. Keep building, cooking, experimenting, creating, playing, imagining, drawing, inventing, researching and having learning experiences together!

Remember if you are unwell get tested and stay in your bubble.

Thank you and God Bless you all

Ma te atua e manaaki

Suzanne and the Staff at St Joseph's