

Saturday 28th August, 2021

Term 3, Week 6

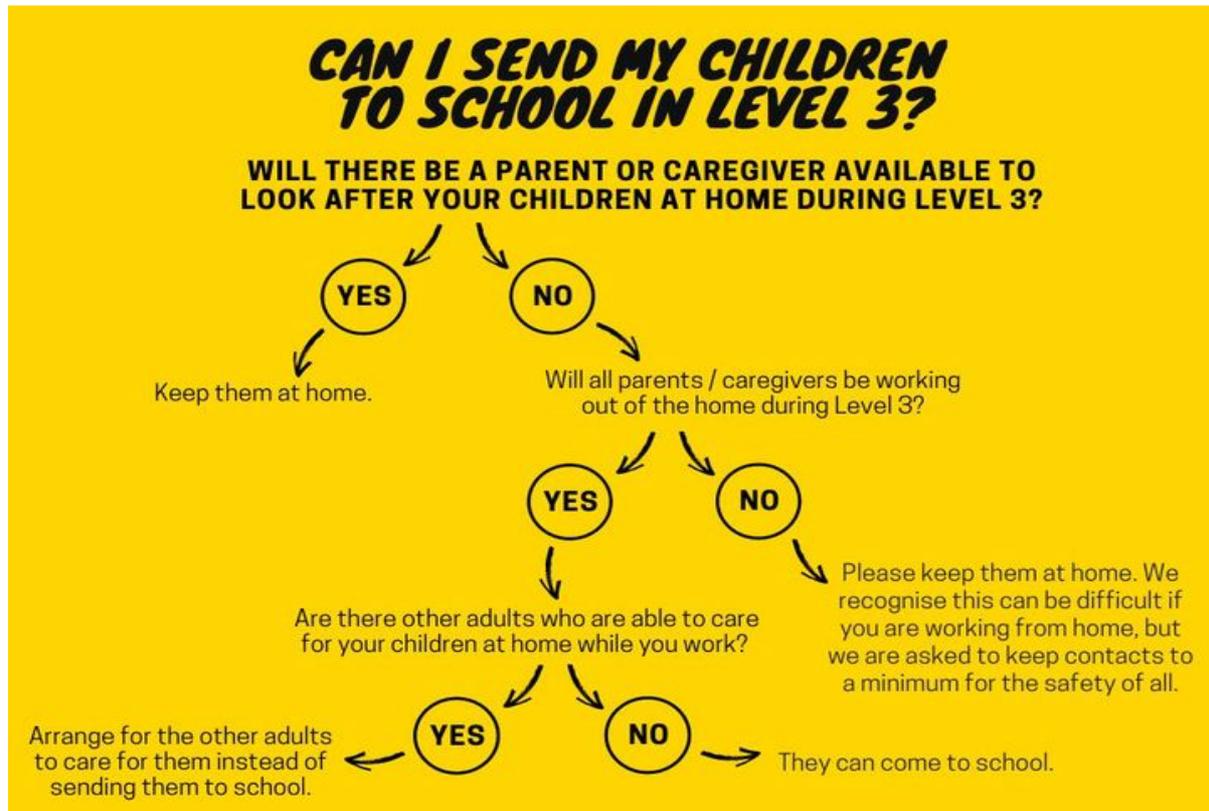
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Hello everyone, I hope you are all doing well and keeping safe in your bubble. Welcome to Week 6 – we are heading into Level 3 at midnight on Tuesday evening. I now you will be all wanting to know what this will look like for our school. Below is a flowchart of what Level 3 schooling looks like. Please let me know by 6pm Sunday if you think you will need to send your child to school.



School is not normal school in Level 3 – read carefully the Level 3 alert levels attached to this newsletter. **To stop the spread of this virus we must stay home.** This way we can get out of lockdown earlier than expected. By staying in Level 3 we will not end up like Auckland, who are looking at a longer lockdown.

We don't know how long we will be in Level 3 for, however please note that we will be looking after your children and their learning.

I am aware that not every household has access to a device. That is why I have also suggested learning that can occur without one:

- Reading
- Drawing
- Cooking/ baking (following a recipe)
- Going for a walk and trying to identify birds and plants (and getting exercise which is good for our mental health)
- Helping on the farm
- Puzzles
- Board games
- Crafts
- Gardening (hopefully knowing the difference between a valuable plant and a weed!)

Other Resources available:

- www.learningfromhome.govt.nz

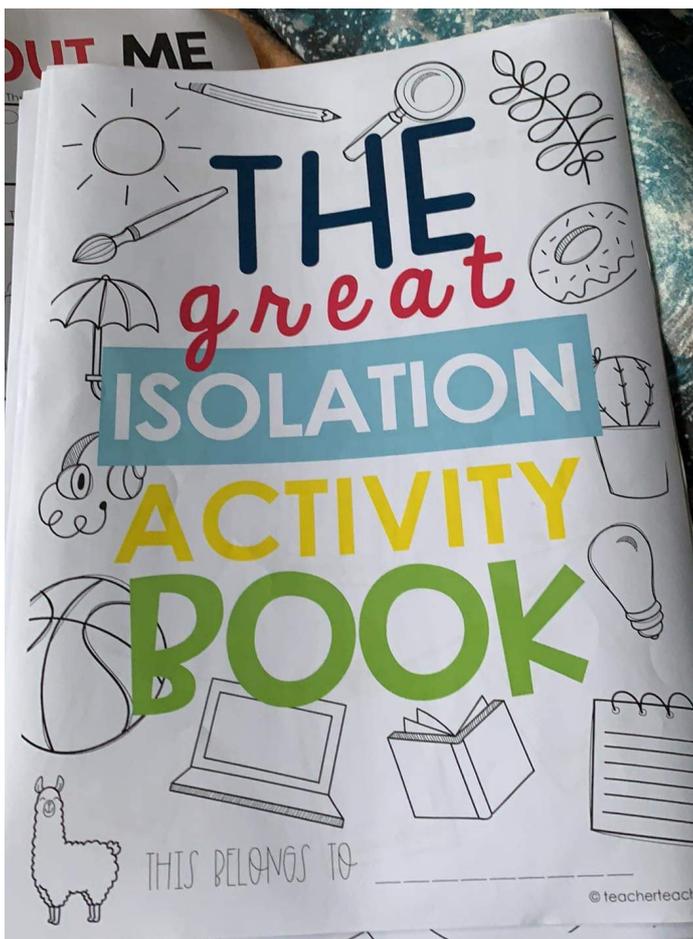
- Home Learning TV which can be accessed on demand via the TVNZ App on a device (mobile phone, smart TV or tablet)

Lisa and Bayley will be going into school on Tuesday to set up any hard packs, books, printing, word finds, devices that your child may need. This will be the only time they will be going in under Level 3. **If there is anything that you would like your child to have, please email your child's teacher before 4pm Monday 30th August.** This way they can safely go in and get packs sorted. They will continue with their online work – challenges and activities throughout Level 3. Your teachers are available from 9am till 3pm most days, please remember that they have lives they have to sort out as well, if you email them at night they will get back to you but it may not be until the following day. Please be patient and kind.

However please note there will be no work from your teachers on Tuesday as they will be at school most of the day sorting out learning.

All the work they have put up on See Saw can be completed at any time, I understand that some of the children have been sick, we do not expect our tamariki to work when they are ill. They also have access to Epic and Matific to support their learning.

I have printed out this booklet for Locky, it has a huge range of activities in it, he has really enjoyed getting stuck into it. If you would like a copy for your child/ren then let your teacher know and they will print it out for you on Tuesday.



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Ngutunui Enviro School
Alert Level 3 Protocols

At **Alert Level 3**, the school is **only** open for students who have essential workers as parents. If one parent is at home or another adult is able to care for them then we ask that you please keep your child at home.

We have to keep to strict social distancing and designated learning bubbles. Students will only mingle with others in their bubble including the teacher/s. We will only have 10 in a bubble. The school will be operating with a 'skeleton' staff to ensure most people are at home, keeping safe.

<p>Please let us know if your child/ren won't be attending school by 8:00 in the morning or the night before. Ring or text Cleonie on 027 2783840</p>	<p>If any circumstances change and you or another adult is able to help your child to learn at home then please do so, we are all trying to keep minimal contact with other people as much as possible.</p>
<p>No access to the school site at all, drop off and collection from carpark only.</p>	<p>Ring Cleonie if you need access to your child/ren earlier than planned.</p>
<p>The school day begins at 9:00 and finishes at 2:55. A teacher will be in the carpark at 8:50 and 2:50.</p>	<p>Please wait in your car - we have to ensure 2 m distancing.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students are free to bring along books, pencils and their own ball etc from home. • Bring along morning tea and lunch as usual plus a drink bottle of water. • If fine students need to be prepared for some outside fitness activities. 	<p>We won't be doing anything that involves students encroaching in on social distancing rules or sharing of resources.</p> <p>Water fountains are turned off.</p> <p>Students must keep their hands off metal poles etc. Students will sit in the same spot each day.</p>
<p>Daily Programme possibilities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Home learning TV • See Saw activities • Learning activities • Physical exercise and activities. 	<p>If your child received a hardpack they please bring it along. Please note we have to keep social distance so no up close 1-1 work between the teacher and student will occur.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We only have 2 teachers a day - a bubble of 10. • At all times a teacher will be with children ensuring social distancing occurs. • Family members will be in their own bubble and can share resources • Hand washing is a must as well as other hygiene practices - we will show students. • Soap must be applied when leaving toilets and applied before eating etc. • No sick children to attend - sick students will be sent home. 	<p>A laptop will be provided for Yr 5-8, this will be theirs for the duration of their time in the bubble. It will stay at school.</p> <p>No playground No sports balls or equipment No library books</p>
<p>School behaviour:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student and staff health and safety is paramount! 	<p>We expect the same high standards at school everyday as we do when school is working normally.</p>

Checklist for parents to prepare for Alert Level 3

Keep safe

- Stay home if you or your child are sick. Children who arrive at school or a centre sick will be sent home.
- An at-risk child should learn from home.
- Do not use public transport if you or your child are sick.

Share responsibility

Continue to work and learn from home if you can.

If you are returning to work:

- Keep your bubble small. Bring whānau into your bubble who can support you to return to work or supervise your children to learn from home.
- Only include people that will keep you and them safe and well.

If your child needs to return to school, your school needs to plan. They will be in contact to

- Confirm when the school or centre will re-open.
- Confirm your child's attendance.
- Confirm if you need to use transport.
- Confirm pick-up and drop-off times.

Check whether your child needs to bring along a lunchbox or snacks.

If sending your child back to school or early learning

Good hygiene matters.

- Remind your child that they are expected to follow good hygiene practices - wash and dry hands regularly, cough into their elbow, don't touch their face, and use hand sanitiser.
- Let your child know that they will see more cleaning of their school and their classroom.
- Talk to your child about why it is important that they do not share any food or drinks with others at school.
- If asked about people wearing face masks, let your child know that some children and young people may choose to wear these. It might be part of their cultural practice to do so or to support their hygiene needs. Encourage them to respect others choices.

On the way to the school or centre site:

- Explain to your child why it's important that they must arrive at school and leave the school grounds at their allotted time.
- If you drop your child off to school, let them know you may have to drop them off and let them enter the school site on their own. Explain to them that the school or centre will only allow essential visitors on-site.
- If applicable, talk to them about the 1 metre rule on their school transport.

Early learning or school will not be the same.

- Talk to your child about school bubbles. Let your child know they will not be going back to their usual classroom. They may be in a different classroom, and be with different children.
- Let them know their classroom may be set up differently.
- Let them know that they will be expected to sit in the same place each day they attend (and that no one will sit in their seat if they are away for the day), and why this is important (contact tracing).
- Talk to them about the school bubble rules – 1 metre physical distance, washing their hands often, and sticking to their school bubble, and not mixing with other school bubbles.
- Remind your child they need to stay 2 metres away from other children not in their school bubble.
- Let them know they may be able to connect up online with their usual class as part of distance learning.
- Remind them that playgrounds will not be able to be used.
- Let your child know that the 2 metre rule applies to any physical education or break time activities including sports.

If your child continues learning from home

Check the Home Learning TV | Papa Kāinga TV schedules. Note the times of segments that may interest your child. The channel is free to air, on TVNZ channel 2+1 and on TVNZ on Demand, as well as on Sky Channel 23.

Where possible, plan your day or week with your child and whānau. Consider:

- a whānau routine

- what everyone will do together, or do on their own.

Stay connected with your child's teacher and let them know if you have questions or concerns.