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COVID-19 Update #3: Alert Level 4 Continues for Auckland

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Mālō e lelei everyone! 🍱 🎇

We do hope that you had some special moments on Sunday to celebrate Father's Day, that someone special - dad, Koro, brother, uncle, cousin and for some, that special person may have been a 'mum-dad'

While the Government announced this afternoon a shift in Alert Levels for areas north and south of Auckland, we remain at Alert Level 4 until at least 11:59 pm Tuesday 14 September. The School and playground remains closed. Kia kaha, kia māia, kia manawanui koutou, aroha nui 🜻

Let's celebrate learning

Thank you parents/whānau for continuing to be in contact with your child's teacher and what you are doing to support your children's learning, in addition to your own home responsibilities

We're really proud of the mahi that our students are engaging in – reading and viewing the work that they've shared with us too. We've enjoyed students responding to online learning feedback and reaching out for more – you're awesome! It's been heart-warming to view the video posts of parents affirming their children's mahi too! 💥

We're really SUPER proud of our teachers and Learning Assistants (LAs) who have worked within and across teams – 'a meeting of minds' as they have planned, innovated on ideas, uploaded resources, developed engaging mahi, provided in the moment learning feedback, encouragement and organised mini lessons through Google Meets with students! Their enthusiasm has been inspiring \heartsuit

To avoid screen fatigue both for teacher/staff and students, as well as thinking about your own whānau responsibilities, we're keeping a careful eye on manageable hauora and distance timetabling of (DL). learning Please remember that your child's learning is accessible via their Class Site 📥



Here is a screen shot from our website page.

Thank you everyone, we know you are doing the best you can, with the resources you have, in this challenging situation we share. Please see previous pānui, our Facebook page or our website: click on the 'Information' tab then click on the 'Newsletter' Tab, where you can find some welfare contacts. I include another list of support contacts at the end of this notice.



Tonga Language Week 💴

Woohoo, what fun we'll have this week! Many thanks to our teachers and LAs who have put their awesome collaborative minds together to provide engaging learning as part of celebrating Tonga language week!

Here are some starters from the Ministry of Pacific Peoples' resource booklet.

'Alafapeti Faka-Tonga | Guide & alphabet

It is important that the short and long vowel sounds are used, as they distinguish between different words – e.g. kåkä (to cheap or kraka (to climb)). Fakau 'a always comes before a vowel sound. This also distriguishes between different words – e.g. anga (behaviour) and 'anga (shark). 'a, 'e, 'i, 'o, 'u (as in the English: ah ha, elephant, inn, orange, och la la) 'ä, 'ë, 'i, 'o, 'u (as in the English: Aman, egg, easy, oh no, soup) Lee Faka-Tong has twelve konisonänite (consonants): **f h k in n ng p s t** v and ['] fakau'a (glottal stop) The consonants are pronounced like in English. The 'ng' blend like the 'nga' sound in te reo Máori, or the 'ng' sound from the English word 'song'. The Tongan language also user skaxmamata he Lea Fiepipiki (stress marks). This mark at the end of a word tof sound more the vowel sound more exaggerated. For example, when we say the word Tonga't tells us to emphasise the 'a' sound at the end.

'Alafapeti Faka-Tonga Tongan Alphabet				
Aa 'Āpele (Apple)	Ee 'Elefānite (Elephant)	li Ī (Fan)		
Ono (Six)	Uu Ukamea (Iron)	Ff Fale (House)		
Hh Hala (Road)	Kk Kahoa (Necklace)	Letiō (Radio)		
Mm Mango (Mango)	Nn Niu (Coconut)	Ng/ng Ngatu (Tapa)		
Pp Peleti (Plate)	Ss Sote (Shirt)	Tt Tamai (Father)		
Vv Vaka (Canoe)	[^f] 'Umata (Rainbow)			
AEIOU FHKLMNNGPSTV'				

Ngaahi Lea Faka-Tonga 'e 'aonga kiate koe Useful / Everyday words

Tongan / Lea Faka-Tonga	English / Lea Faka-Pilitānia
Mālō e lelei	Greetings/Hello
Mälö e lelei	Greetings Everyone
'Alu ā	Goodbye – to those who are leaving (only if it applies)
Nofo ā	Goodbye – to those who are staying/Goodbye on the phone
Fakamolemole	Please
Mālō 'aupito	Thank you

Tongan / Lea Faka-Tonga	English / Lea Faka-Pilitānia
Kātaki fakamolemole	Sorry
Tulou or Kātaki fakamolemole	Excuse me
Ko hai ho hingoa?	What is your name?
Ko hoku hingoa ko	My name is
'Oku ke ha'u mei fe? Ko ho'o ha'u mei fe?	Where do you come from?
'Oku ou ha'u mei	I am a person from





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While we cannot come together kanohi ki te kanohi at our usual assembly to award students with their TPS Value Certificates, teachers are being 'digitally' creative with their mahi affirmations, House Tokens and certificates 😕

From me to you, here is a Certificate of my sincere thanks for working positively with us, during this challenging time, when you have your own family responsibilities. Big pakipaki!!

Fa'afetai tele lava, thank you, alofa tele 🧡 🛸

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Support Contacts from the Ministry of Education		
COVID-19 info & advice translated into different languages	Agencies which offer assistance	
COVID-19 Advice for Māori	Support services that remain open:	
Information for whānau, hapū, and iwi Māori	Women's Refuge 0800REFUGE or 0800 733 843	
Information for Pacific Peoples	Shine 0508 744 633	
Information for disabled people	Alcohol and Drug Helpline 0800 787 797	
Support your community	Oranga Tamariki call centre 0508FAMILY	
Pasifika Futures	CADS 0800 367 222	
If you need a Whānau Ora Family Support Package, please call this number 0800 890 110, or click on the following link to connect with one of our partners – <u>CLICK HERE</u>	Narcotics Anonymous 0800 628 632	
<u>Golden Rules for Level 4 - videos in several languages</u>	Alcoholics Anonymous 0800 229 6757	
	Lifeline 0800 543 354 or free text 4357	
Punjabi	Youthline 0800 376 633 or free text 234	
Arabic		
Cantonese	Samaritans 0800 726 666	
Mandarin	Outline (LGBT) 0800 688 5463	
	Depression Helpline 0800 111 757	
<u>Spanish</u>	Suicide Prevention Helpline 0508 828 865	
Hindi	The Fono West (Social Services) 09 837 1780	
Tagalog		
Portuguese_	Counselling Free Call or Text 1737	
<u>Urdu</u>	Healthline for COVID-19 health advice: 0800 358 5453	
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North Auckland	For people with disabilities or autism and their support people: The Explore 0800 000421 phone service available to	
Central Auckland	provide advice or support. This includes advice or support around challenging behaviours. To access this service, you don't	
West Auckland	need a referral and it doesn't matter whether you're new to Explore, currently on their waitlist or you've worked with them	
East Auckland	previously. The service is available Monday to Friday 9.00am– 5.00pm. When you phone the 0800 number you will be	
South Auckland	connected with an administrator who will then book you an appointment with one of the specialists.	