



24 March 2020

Dear Whanau

With yesterday's announcement by Government, we have prepared a learning folder to support your child's learning from home. We appreciate this is a sudden and significant change, and will be heavily disruptive to Tamariki and our community.

Your child will be able to communicate with their classroom teacher using their personal school login. Over this week, their teacher will communicate with them and will be supporting their learning from home in the following ways:

- *through online learning- google classroom*
- *provision of a learning pack which the teacher is delivering*

The first term school holidays begin 30 March and ends 14 April. Term 2 starts Wednesday 15 April but we will still be at home under Level 4 Alert. During this time their teacher will communicate with their class online in Google classroom. Each student knows how to access this. If they have problems, they can email their teacher for support. If you would like to communicate with the teacher, you can email them also. My email address is: kngakurusyde@sehc.school.nz

The Learning packs we have provided have a lot of work in them. They are for students who do not have access to online learning. Online, learners can also complete these packs if your whanau have one device and it is being shared. We do not expect the children to work on them for the whole day as we understand their will be whanau expectations as well. Can I suggest that over the day children are given some time to choose 1 or 2 activities and complete them. If they are unable to do the work, they can contact their teacher who will support them. This will be new to your child, yourself and their teacher. We are just a phone message away.

Have a discussion at home to decide what your child's day may look like while we are in Level 4 and create a timetable so everyone knows what is happening. Keep your day structured like this to help you.

It is a difficult time but we need to work together to get through this. As noted by the Prime Minister these restrictions are our best chance to slow the virus in New Zealand and to save lives. We all have a clear role here to slow the spread of COVID-19.

Corinthians 13:13

There are three things that lasts forever; Faith, hope and love, but the greatest of these is love.

Because he lives I can face tomorrow, because he lives, all fears are gone, because I know he holds the future, life is worth living because he lives.

Stay safe whanau

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