



Kia tiki ake te pai Accentuating the positive



14 September 2021

Kia ora e te whānau

Preparing to Return to School

Thank you to all those who came to the zoom for Te wiki o te reo Māori today. It was fantastic to see so many of our tamariki in attendance and to see the joy on their faces. Teachers will be sharing an activity on Seesaw where tamariki and whānau can kanikani (dance) along with kaimahi (staff) to the Māhuru clip that was shared.

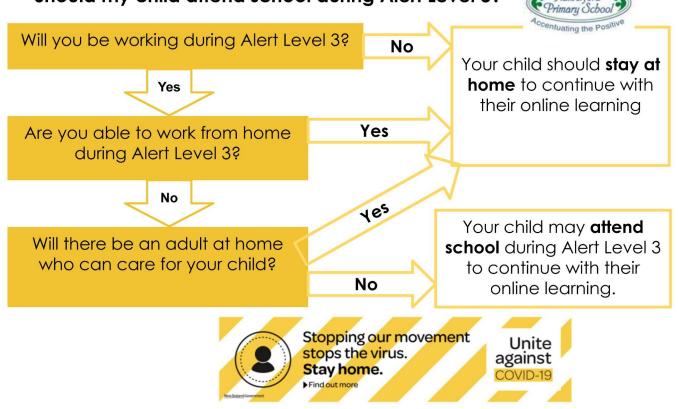
I realise that the announcement made by the Prime Minister was not what everyone was hoping for, but probably also not entirely unexpected. Just as we have for the last few weeks, we are all ready to keep going with the distance learning program.

It is good that we now have in principle clarity that we will hopefully move to Alert-Level 3 at midnight on Tuesday 21 September. Schools will essentially remain closed at this time, but we will be able to provide support for families who have to leave the home to work and who have no one suitable at home to care for their children.

Due to the nature of Alert-Level 3 health and safety restrictions, it is crucial that children are pre-booked in, if this is required. The majority of staff will still be required to be working from home delivering distance learning. We need to ensure that we can plan for school bubbles which will be limited to 10 children per bubble.

The following flowchart might help you to decide whether you should send your child to school or not at Alert-Level 3.

Should my child attend school during Alert Level 3?



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If you will need support during Alert-Level 3, please email me at amandab@rutherfordprimary.school.nz to register your child, so we can start planning for school bubbles.

Kia pai tō wiki

He waka eke noa Ngā mihi nui Amanda Bennett Tumuaki