





## Kia tiki ake te pai Accentuating the positive





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Kia ora e te whānau

I trust everyone has had a good day in their bubbles. I had the privilege of joining Room 2 for their Zoom today. It was great to see the kids who were able to attend. I hope to be able to join more Zoom sessions next week.

I'm sure it is not a huge surprise to hear at the 3pm announcement today that the whole of New Zealand will remain at Alert-Level 4 till at least Wednesday. You will also have heard that the Prime Minister indicated that Auckland may need to remain at Alert-Level 4 for longer. Of course this is an ever changing landscape and as previously shared our school finds out exactly the same time as the rest of the country about any changes to Alert-Levels. We are well prepared for next week and on Monday teachers will share distance learning via Seesaw each day.

We have been given special permission to enter the school site for a very limited time to put together hard packs for those who have absolutely no access to distance online learning. We will be working through the health and safety procedures around doing this over the next few days and I will be in touch with further information about this.

I received further information today about food banks that are operating which I share here. Please do reach out if you need support;

## **T** Auckland Council

Aucklanders unable to afford groceries or in self–isolation with no access to other support networks can call 0800 22 22 96 between 7am and 7pm, seven days a week. Callers must meet government criteria for assistance.

Salvation Army

Text your name and postcode to 4114 and a rep. will contact you within 48 hours.

Presbyterian Support Northern

09 309 2054

Collections between 11am – 12pm, Monday to Friday from 8 Madeira Lane, Grafton. No walk-ins.

Foodbank NZ

022 045 8184

info@foodbank.co.nz

www.foodbank.org.nz

Auckland City Mission

09 303 9200

Monday - Friday, 9.00am - 3.00pm

Contact Ian 0508 CHANGE LIVES / (0508 242 643) / 027 477 1092 / ian@sacbf.org.nz

## Takanini Sikh Gurudwara

Collections only. Mon–Fri, 4pm–6pm. Drive in entry gate and open your boot. Do not leave your car. Drive out through exit gate once boot has been loaded.

The Fono (Pasifika only)

COVID-19 Pacific Family Package
021956633

socialservices@thefono.org

0800 366 648 WEST AUCKLAND

VisionWest

brook.turner@visionwest.org.nz

0800 887 667

Our staff will now enjoy a well deserved break over the weekend and time to attend to their families. They will see you online next week. I wish everyone a safe and enjoyable weekend in their bubbles.

He waka eke noa

Ngā mihi nui

Amanda Bennett

Tumuaki