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Kia ora e te whānau. Greetings families

I am sure you are now all aware that Auckland is at Alert-Level 3 for at least the next 7 days. As always, we have good plans in place.

The following is an overview of what the next week will look like for our Rutherford Primary community.

Distance learning

On advice from the Ministry of Health, all children who can stay home and be suitably supervised, should stay home. Our teachers will be delivering a distance learning program for as long as is necessary.

Tomorrow (Monday 1 March) take the day to get your children settled in and set up for the week. Teachers will connect via Seesaw to check connectivity and to establish the routines for the week. If you would like some suggested activities for your children to do tomorrow, there is a wide range of suggestions in the kete of ideas on our website; http://www.rutherfordprimary.school.nz/distance-learning.html

From Tuesday 2 March, teachers will be posting suggested activities on Seesaw each day by 7am. As always, please do what works for your family. Teachers will send a Seesaw announcement each day to check in. They will be responding to activities posted daily. Classes will also be provided with at least one to two Zoom catch-ups per week. These are optional.

If you have any questions about distance learning, please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher.

For those without connectivity, we will be putting together hard copy learning packs. Please contact your child's teacher if you need one of these.

School at Alert-Level 3

For families who have no suitable care for their children this week, school will be open. At school we must operate in small bubbles with strict social distancing in place, so it is very important that we know if you need to send your child/ren to school so we can plan for this. Please email me today at amandab@rutherfordprimary.school.nz if you need to book your child in. As always if your child or anyone in your family is unwell, please stay home.

Last year the Ministry of Education shared a suggested timetable of what your day could look like. I thought it would be worthwhile to share it again. This is a only a suggestion and you may wish to shift times or activities or do only parts of it.

As always, please do what works for your whānau/family.

Before 9:00am	Wake up	Eat breakfast, make your bed, get dressed, put any dirty clothes in the laundry
9:00-10:00	Morning walk	Family walk with the dog, bike ride, Yoga if it's raining
10:00-11:00	Learning at home	School-led learning or Sudoku, books, flash cards, study guide, journal etc
11:00-12:00	Creative time	Legos, magna-tiles, drawing, crafting, cooking, or play music etc.
12:00 pm	Lunch	
12:30	Helping at home	wipe all kitchen tables and chairs wipe all door handles, light switches and desk tops wipe both bathrooms - sinks and toilets
1:00-2:30	Quiet time	Reading, puzzles, nap, radio NZ stories
2:30-4:00	Learning at home	School-led learning orlpad games, Prodigy, Educational show
4:00-5:00	Afternoon fresh air	Bikes, walk the dog, play outside
5:00-6:00	Dinner	
6:00 Onwards	Evening Routine	Shower Reading Bedtime

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at amandab@rutherfordprimary.school.nz Wishing you a wonderful rest of the weekend.

He waka eke noa

Ngā mihi nui

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Tumuaki/Principal