





## Kia tiki ake te pai Accentuating the positive





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Kia ora e te whānau

I hope you are all safe and well after the wild weather last night.

Kia kaha e te iwi. Yesterday, it was pleasing to hear our Prime Minister acknowledge what all Aucklanders are currently doing to support the whole of New Zealand as a nation. I am sure nobody is surprised that Auckland will remain at Alert-Level 4 for a further two weeks. I want to assure you that our staff will continue to support you over the coming weeks.

We are now well into the distance learning groove. We will continue to offer regular class zooms as a way for tamariki to stay connected. We will offer some team and whole school Zooms, so children can catch up with their friends in other classes. Teachers will continue to offer a variety of differentiated activities on Seesaw. Just like we always say, none of the activities are compulsory and please do what works best for you and your whānau. If you need a break from online activities or if sharing devices is tricky, we recommend you take a look at the offline activities that are included on our distance learning site on the website. We have attached a couple of examples of these here.

I am aware that a prolonged lockdown does cause stress in many different ways and I urge you to reach out for support if you need it. We have added the contact details of all the support agencies to our website.

I want to finish by echoing the message shared by the Board of Trustees in the newsletter yesterday. Thank you to our staff, thank you to our whānau. We truly are all in this together and we couldn't do it without you.

This whakatauki encompasses that message really well.

Me mahi tahi tātou Mo te oranga o te katoa

We should work together for the well-being of everyone

Take care everyone - Kia pai to rā

He waka eke noa Ngā mihi nui Amanda Bennett Tumuaki