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Dear Parents and Caregivers

Isn't wonderful to still have such nice weather. I hope you have found opportunities to be outside getting fresh air and enjoying the sunshine.

In my family, we have spent some time in the garden and enjoyed some time out in the sun kicking a ball around in the backyard. We have continued with a board game a day and have done some more baking.

This week the Ministry of Education has advised us that they are working at pace to find ways to get devices into homes for families without them. They have advised that priority will be given to senior secondary students first. Our teachers made contact with most of our families during the week lockdown began, to find out if children have access to a device at home.

There were some families we have not been able to contact. If you have not let us know what your status is, please email your child's teacher as soon as possible as we will be passing this on to the Ministry of Education next week. If you need a device and your family is in lockdown somewhere other than the address we have listed for you at school, or if you have recently moved, please also let the class teacher know that, as we will need to pass that information on for device delivery.

We do hope you are all keeping well and have everything you need. If any of you are having difficulty during this time, please let us know, as there are a number of agencies providing support that we can connect you with.

Teachers are meeting on Monday to prepare for distance learning. You will hear from teachers next week in regard to what distance learning will look like for individual classes.

Until my next update, stay safe and enjoy your time together.

If you have any questions, please contact me at amandab@rutherfordprimary.school.nz

Nga mihi nui
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