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Kia ora e te whanau,

We hope you are all keeping well throughout this challenging situation of a LEVEL 4 LOCKDOWN. The change to a wet and colder Autumn was delayed and we were lucky to enjoy some fine spells over the last few weeks.

It is imperative we continue to manage this Level 4 Lockdown as best we can and I would like to acknowledge all those whanau who are doing this. It is challenging for us all. Many thanks for keeping in regular contact with the staff at Te Kura Rautau to ensure the learning of your tamariki continues. A very new way of learning.

To lessen the confusion of a whole lot of different information in the media at the start of this lockdown, I asked for all kaiako / teachers to make contact with each and everyone of you if you have a child in their class. Thank you for making their job easier and please continue to communicate directly with your child's kaiako. As you are all well aware, the Level 4 Lockdown is past the halfway stage and the break for holidays is over. Learning will take on a new meaning and different direction as we head through the next phase of this Level 4 Lockdown.

The start of Term 2 will now look different:

We have ordered to be delivered directly to your homes, stationary packs for your tamariki. Every child will get a pack for either the Rumaki or Auraki your child is in. We have also sent out to whanau our remaining school devices such as chrome-books and i-pads. We have ordered more from the Ministry of Education. These will follow soon and be sent directly to those whanau that do not have access to a device. Again, please continue to communicate with your child's Kaiako. Thank you for your support with this.

The information we get from the Ministry of Education changes as the situation around the country changes. At this stage, we are planning on a few important things to prepare for the restart of School where students can attend: There are copies of this information available to you online and through your child's Kaiako.

Please note the details below:

1. There has been no confirmed date that Schools will be reopening – only a possibility
2. Learning however will start today (Wed 15th April) with online learning only and contact with your child's Kaiako through this method.
3. Schools could possibly be reopening on Wednesday 29th April for some students. Before this date, teachers will be planning and preparing for School to reopen – this is yet to be confirmed and kaiako / teachers will inform you closer to the time
4. The Ministry of Education will notify all Schools if there is a change to Level 3, and what this will mean for your child's learning.

The Gov't is due to release next week any changes to the Lockdown level for all communities. How this affects our community, we will inform you as best we can.

We thank you for your patience and the efforts you are all putting in at this time. We look forward to the restart of term 2 knowing this is going to be different for us all. There is no doubt there are going to be changes and different expectations for us all. Please continue to communicate with us if you need to know anything further. Many thanks for your support whanau.

Nga manaakitanga ki a koutou katoa

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