

CENTENNIAL PARK SCHOOL

“Live Truly”



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(Level 3 Whaanau Letter #2)

Kia ora e te whaanau,

Ko te whakaaro tuatahi, e pai ake koutou ko ō koutou whānau i tēnei wā.
The first thinking is that you and all whānau connected with you are well.

Thank you whānau for your support in keeping tamariki at home, safe and involved with their learning.

Now that we are under Level 3, we will all need to wait until next week for further updates and to hear what the situation will be moving forward. Until then we are preparing the kura for learning in a different way for when tamariki are allowed to all return under Level 2.

I would like to congratulate and thank you and your tamariki in the way learning is happening. It has been fantastic to see tamariki getting ready for their learning by dressing in school uniform. This way, they are in a set routine, and this helps to keep separate the time for relaxing and playing and the time to focus on mahi. Well done and many thanks to you all.

Our school staff have been preparing extra resources and materials to help with continued learning from home. Over the next few days, you should be receiving if you haven't already, items that will help add value to what you already have.

Again, I would like to reassure you that our BOT and staff are here to support whanau. They are always available to koorero and discuss any concerns you have.

Some whānau may have tamariki at Secondary School (High School) and you may be feeling a little pressured with expectations of NCEA requirements coming up. There is some extra support available for you through 'Te Kura' Te Aho o Te Kura Pounamu. Have a look at the websites listed and discuss this with those involved.

Free distance learning support for Years 9-15 students

If you have Year 9-15 students who need support in one or two subjects, free support is available from Te Aho o Te Kura Pounamu (Te Kura) through the [COVID-19 dual tuition gateway](https://www.education.govt.nz/covid-19/advice-for-schoolskura/covid-19-dual-tuition-programme/).
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The Ministry of Education are funding access to this dual tuition gateway until the end of the 2021 school year for domestic students in Year 9-15 in all state and state-integrated schools, as well as the private schools listed in the Te Kura Enrolment and Dual Tuition Policy.

The dual tuition program can support both your students and teachers if your:

- school does not have distance learning resources to enable your teachers to support students to continue learning at home
- student who is engaged in learning feels they are at risk of not attaining their learning goals for the year
- school is looking for materials to differentiate learning at home for students in Year 9 and 10 on a wide range of topics covering all learning areas of *The New Zealand Curriculum* and including options from Curriculum Levels 3-5
- school is looking for distance resources (for example, Life Skills and Supported Learning Standards) for students who need additional support to access the curriculum
- student missed an NCEA standard, and your school doesn't offer a reassessment
- student feels they need support in one or two subjects to meet the requirements for University Entrance.

If you're interested in learning more about the COVID-19 dual tuition gateway, Te Kura has organized online sessions to show the features of this online programme and how it can be used to support students and teachers. You can find these sessions here. <https://www.tekura.school.nz/te-kura-and-covid/te-kura-enrolment-enquiries-and-covid-19/>

As always, please let either the staff or myself know if there is anything you need, to support you and your tamariki during this time.

Mauri ora ki a koutou katoa

Kevin Ikin,
Principal,
Te Kura Rautau