

DEVELOPING LEARNERS FOR LIFE

Waikite Valley School

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The Heads-up for the week ahead.....

THIS WEEK:

Mon 23 - Tues 24 August: <u>LEVEL 4 LOCKDOWN</u> - LEARNING AT HOME (PM announcement to come)

Wed 1 September - PARENT WRITING WORKSHOP FOR ACCELERATED LEARNING

<u>Kia Ora Koutou Whānau</u> COVID-19 LEVEL 4 LOCKDOWN 2021

The teachers and teacher-aides have been meeting regularly via zoom to prepare and plan what needs to be done during the lockdown to ensure our students and their families have what they need to continue some learning at

home. Part of our meeting is always a check-in to find out how we are with our wellbeing. We also hope you are doing OK – the sudden announcement on Tuesday last week was quite unexpected in a lot of ways.

The Mental Health Foundation of NZ says, "it's all right to feel a range of emotions right now. Going into a Level 4 lockdown is a big deal and it brings all sorts of different feelings to the surface, including frustration, worry and even gratitude. However you are feeling, know that you're not alone – we're all going through this together."

If you need to talk, check in with a friend or whānau member, or free call/text 1737 to chat with a trained counsellor. It's free and confidential. There are also a lot of other supports available to you if needed (visit the Mental Health Foundation of NZ facebook page for more information).

You will also understand the importance of routine for your family. If your routine has been shaken up, it's good to structure your time. Routines are reassuring and promote health and physical wellbeing. I have attached the work-plans/activities for your children to this newsletter - please use this to plan their day so they have a sense of routine during their home-learning days. By sharing their work it also keeps a sense of connection and community with their classmates - last Level 4 the kids talked about what they did for weeks after returning to school and the teachers enjoyed commenting and encouraging them with their projects too.

A big thank you to all of you for taking the lockdown so seriously – we've seen before that staying at home will break the chain of transmission and save lives. Breaking the rules could risk someone close to you and if the rules are not complied with, this could risk the lock down period being extended or could risk the virus being spread to thousands.

Please <u>keep checking the locations of interest</u> and get tested if you were at that location at the specified time, or if you have symptoms which could be COVID-19.

And just a quick point – please don't use our playground during lockdown. Playgrounds cannot be used at Alert Level 4.

As always, please let us know if there is anything you need to support you and your tamariki during this time. Ngā mihi

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VALUES AWARDS FOR WEEK 4



Pod 1: Hunter Martin & Jack Hunter



Rm 2: Promise-Reign Gardiner & David Schweizer



Rm 3: Madisyn Cathcart & Jackson Elliston



Rm 4: Lucy Fiskens & Michael Schweizer



GPA: Adrian Briggs & Emily Mills-White



Waikite Valley school PTA Bull Calf Donation Scheme 2021

Are you able to support our school by donating a reared calf or a virtual calf this year?

COLLECTION SITE- Mead's yards (Hossack/Waikite Valley Rds)

AGENT ORGANISING - Simon Marra (Silver Fern Farms Ltd)

For more information, or if you would like to confirm your calf donation please contact the school office 0212949633 or Alice on 0223900727.



Players of the Day

Home Learning for Pod 1 Week 4 Term 3

It would be great if the tamariki could complete tasks on this sheet over a one-week period Please encourage your child to take on the challenge and share their learning using our class Facebook page.

SPEECHES - Choose a poem you would like to learn from the ones Mrs Dinning shared on Friday, or if you are a Year 2 write your speech. Once you are comfortable with reading it practice using a loud, clear voice, smiling and plant your feet into the ground. If you need any help mum or dad can message me or we can even facetime.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION:

Collect up all your outside toys and make up a game ' to share with the rest of Pod 1! If you have brothers and sisters with you, include them in the game too. Make sure you come up with a cool name for your

READING:

Go onto reading eggs for at least 20-30 minutes every day, Mrs Dinning is going to set some assignments for you too! You can do the same for Mathseeds:)



SCIENCE:

Have a go at making some hokey Pokey - share with the rest of us what is so special about adding the baking soda.

As well as making a yummy treat - use photos or pictures to tell the story :) Can you add something to make it better? Nuts, Choc chips??

Make a potion

See what you can find in the pantry to make a potion, write down what is in your potion and the measurements you use. Share what your

Gardening -

game!

Rake up any leaves around your house, take out a big arm full. How many do you think are there, can you count them? Then jump into your leaf pile for fun! Pick your favourites and make a leaf collage

Loose parts -

Search through your house - then create a robot! Can you make any part of it move?



Find out something about your parent's childhood that you



didn't know and share it with us in a picture.

Home Learning for Room 2

August 23rd - 27th (Term 3 - Week 5)

You are expected to complete tasks on this sheet over a one-week period. Please work into your home learning book and take a photo of your work and use classdojo or email to your classroom teacher.

MINDFULNESS:

potion is for?

Check out Gonoodle for lots of videos to help with mindfulness.

https://www.gonoodle.com/tags/PXodv2/ flow-and-steady?tab=videos



MATHS:

<u>Numbe</u>r

Practise addition and subtraction problems by jumping back and forwards on the 100 grid in your book bag.

Mathseeds assignments will be set each day to practise a range of Maths skills.

Grab a tape measure and measure all the members of your family. You could even try to measure your pets for fun.

READING:

Read a story. Who was the main character? Draw a picture of them and write 5 adjectives to describe them.

Reading Eggs assignments will be set and changed on completion.

Reading Eggspress will have set books and quizzes to complete.

Want to have some fun? Get up and move to these jumpjam routines. If possible, get someone to take a photo or a video and upload it to your classdojo.

Quarantine Jamming - JUMP JAM **Kidz Aerobix**

CONSTRUCTION/PRODUCTION:

Make a mask or prop that you could wear as part of your production costume. Use whatever you want to create it. Look online for some ideas.



WRITING:

Speeches

Think of a topic you are interested in or know a lot about and write a 1-2 minute speech

Start with a brainstorm of all the things you know about that topic, then find some facts. Begin with an interesting introduction, then your main ideas and a clear conclusion.



TOPIC- PARALYMPICS:

The Paralympics begins on Tuesday. Check out the website and the athletes representing New zealand. Choose an athlete you would like to

Gather information about where they come from, what they are competing in and predict how they will go.

https://paralympics.org.nz/summer/t okyo-2020-paralympic-games/

ART/GAME:

Alphabet Mystery

Put your detective hat on and go around your house and find something that starts with each letter of the alphabet. You can either draw a picture or take a photo of that object. Extra points for $\,$ K, $\,$ Q and $\,$ Z!



Home Learning for Room 3 Week 5 Term 3

Due for sharing on our Class Dojo & Waikite Valley School Facebook page on 23.08.21

We expect you to complete the tasks on this sheet over a one-week period.

It will be important that we continue a timetable of learning during lockdown. It's important to encourage the kids to take on the challenge and share their learning using Class Dojo, Jam Board or another e-sharing format.

MATHS:

Go onto Maths Seeds for at least 20-30 minutes every day.

During this time please complete 1 assignment and also some of this time exploring the games section.



PHYSICAL EDUCATION:

Create a dance routine to your favourite song. You can use objects around the house to make a beat, or use an electronic device to play a song. Upload your routine to our Dojo so that others can learn this too!:)



READING:

Go onto reading eggs for at least 20-30 minutes every day.

During this time read a story from Reading Eggspress and complete 1 assignment.



SCIENCE:

Have a go at making some hokey Pokey - share with the rest of us what is so special about adding the baking soda.

As well as making a yummy treat - use photos or pictures to tell the story :) Once completed, try to eat the first few bites mindfully, noticing all the new flavours you have created.

Follow the instruction in this video to make your Hokey

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BbUP_QqRRsA

MINDFULNESS:

Spend 15-20 minutes a day practicing your mindfulness. Complete the straight back, soft belly exercise and write down how you are feeling afterwards. Remember to practice mindful movements (mindful animals, lego hands, sushi rolls and seaweed).

Straight back, soft belly: https://www.youtube.com/watc h?v=0xMast-yMv4

ART:

Exploring the world around you, inside and outside collect objects such as leaves, flowers etc and any recyclable materials you may have in your bubble. Using these collected items, create a piece of art. There are lots of ideas online so have a look, <u>OR</u> create something yourself! Take photos of this in progress and your final piece of art to share with all of us! *Encourage siblings or whanau to help you if glueing or painting

TE REO MAORI:

Continue to practice our new kupu with your whanau. Spend 10-15 minutes a day practicing our waiata, tae (colours), objects and animals.

resource folder to support you.

Waiata:

Colours- Tae Song E minaka ana Wairua Aotearoa Ka pioioi Click on this link to Room 3's

WRITING:

Create a Lock Down Journal using paper, a book or electronic device. Put in at least ONE entry per day. In your entries share what you did, what you enjoyed the most, how you are feeling and 1 thing you are grateful for. Add colour, pictures or photographs to help support these entries!

Start to brainstorm ideas about your speech and begin crafting this. This can be about any topic that interests you and needs to be between 1-2 mins long.

Please send me a message or email if you need extra support with this:)

I have also created a Room 3 Resource folder with extra activities including Times Tables sheets, mindfulness colouring, handwriting and LOTS more! PLEASE contact me if you need anything to support you in your learning. Each morning I will post a video with our normal morning routine to support you in starting your day just like we would at school. If you could please add a like or thumbs up to these morning videos I can then use that as our morning roll.

Home Learning for Room 4

Term 3 Week 5 - August 23

We challenge you to complete all tasks on this sheet over a one-week period and share your efforts on Classroom, but don't forget your mindfulness practices.

DANCE PERFORMANCE: Follow this link to a dance tutorial. Try your best to master the moves! There will be a virtual chocolate fish for:

- best solo effort
- best duo effort
- best team dance
- best costume/s

GET ACTIVE: Plan a fitness regime for yourself and others that will get everyone off the couch and moving! Have a number of rotations, 6-8 and set movements in each. Be creative. Use unique equipment or props and get some pictures, maybe dramatic facial

expressions showing determination, grit, effort and put together as a 'family fitness



TREASURE HUNT: Hide some toys or other objects in your backyard and EITHER: draw a map using symbols for start

e.g. ○, finish e.g. ● and direction arrows; ⇔≎⇔ OR write an algorithm (step by step process) using paces, points on a compass and angles eg "walk 5 paces north east and turn 90° Video someone

in your family following your directions and upload to Classroom.

RENOVATION PROJECT:

DIY is all the go in lockdown houses all over NZ. Your challenge is to identify something in your house that could do with a bit of a tidy up e.g. an old set of drawers or a wonky chair and, with adult permission.

transform it. Take "before and after photos" and upload them to Classroom.

https://voutu.be/s9JIZgrKbGQ

PRODIGY: Grp 1 &Z, Prodigy assignments using multiplication and division are ready to complete. Also useful: times tables practise (NO 2,

10, or 11) Try harder times tables

ROTOMATHS Your work is on Classroom. and a Prodigy assignment if you finish early.



https://youtu.be/s9JIZgrKbGQ NG: keep working on your speeches. Once you are happy with what you have

got, practice delivering it with expression, volume and a good stance. Can you memorise it?



READING: All groups, there are assignments on Classroom.

WORD ART: Make a picture in Word Art using words for and examples of recyclable materials. Use your Word Art to make a sign explaining what should go in the recycle bin at home and/or at school. Share your sign on Classroom.



SCAVENGER HUNT: Go on an

alphabet scavenger hunt in your house/yard. Look things that start with each letter. Draw, or take a photo, of each



thing. Extension: turn your efforts into a book for preschoolers. It could be a digital book.



Home Learning for GPA

23rd August - 27th August



You are expected to complete as many of the tasks on this sheet over a one-week period as you are able. If you are able to publish in your Google Classroom (using docs, slides, jamboards or photos) please do so, this allows your classmates and teacher to write constructive feedback. I have uploaded this document to google classroom. If you are not on the internet, please work into an empty book or paper and get someone to take a photo of your work and text or email to your classroom teacher.

I have created a Banger account for each student and have uploaded your account details to both our facebook page and Google classroom. Please sign in and complete the income module.

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