



**CENTRAL NORMAL SCHOOL  
TE KURA TUATAHI O PAPAIOEA**

Whaia Kia Tutuki - strive to your potential

Wednesday 15 April 2020

**COVID-19 Whānau Update: #9**

Tēnā Koutou whānau mā

Welcome back to the start of Term 2, albeit very different! We hope today has gone ok for you all and that the distance learning has been manageable. It has been terrific to see the posts from our tamariki of their learning - ka pai ngā tamariki!

If you have any questions or feedback in relation to Distance Learning, please email your child's teacher or a member of the Manawatū Team - our emails are featured at the end of this pānui.

As we continue to receive regular information from the Ministry of Education, it is important to keep you all informed and up to date as possible. Therefore, we aim to communicate with you a couple of times a week.

**Home Learning/Papa Kāinga and Māori Television**

Both these channels started today, where programme content will be grouped for early learners and students by age range.

Check the website: [www.learningfromhome.govt.nz](http://www.learningfromhome.govt.nz) to check programme content and who the presenters are.

**Māori Medium Learning (Te Arawaru whānau)**

This website <https://www.kauwhatareo.govt.nz/en/resource/ki-te-ao-marama/> provides whānau with practical advice, guidance and resources to use with their tamariki.

'Mauri Reo Mauri Ora' will be broadcast via the Te Reo Channel on Sky TV, Vodafone TV Channel 52, Freeview Channel 15 and the Māori TV website:

<https://www.teaomaori.news/its-kura-your-own-home-mauri-reo-mauri-ora>

'Mauri Reo Mauri Ora' will broadcast from Monday - Friday between the hours of 9.00am - 3.00pm for the next 10 weeks.

A web portal, Kia Manawaroa, has also been developed for whānau to further support iwi and Māori audiences about the choices they have available for learning. This can be accessed at:

<http://education.govt.nz/>

**Hard Copy Learning Packs**

Thank you to those whānau who requested a hard copy learning pack, either for English/Mainstream or Māori Medium. A reminder, that these packs will be sent from the Ministry of Education and may take a little while to get to you, due to the significant distribution of this across the country.

If you missed requesting a pack, please contact Matua Regan: [principal@centralnormal.school.nz](mailto:principal@centralnormal.school.nz)



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### Talanoa Ako

Talanoa Ako is a Pacific education programme that builds Pacific families' knowledge about education and learning. The 10 week programme will be available via Pacific. The sessions can be found on Pacific Media Network radio stations.

### Internet Safety

As many children will be completing online learning, it is really important to be mindful of safe online use. At school, our devices are covered by a strong filtering service, through Network for Learning and the Ministry of Education wants to support families with providing safe online learning at home. Therefore, they have developed Switch on Safety. Visit [www.switchonsafety.co.nz](http://www.switchonsafety.co.nz) to find out more about how to block unwanted sites at home.

Again, we hope today went ok for you all. Remember, we absolutely understand the balance of learning at home with the day to day workings of a home.

Take Care and Kia Kaha.

Ngā Mihi

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