



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

Whaia Kia Tutuki - strive to your potential

Tuesday 24 March 2020

COVID-19 Whānau Update: #6

Tēnā Koutou whānau mā

Firstly, I would like to extend our absolute aroha and manaakitanga to you all in these most challenging of times. This necessary extreme response of Alert Level 4, is causing a lot of additional pressures and worries for many of our whānau and we stand alongside you.

At this moment in time, what matters most is **people**. This is the time we need to reach out and look after one another and support each other as best as we can. Make sure to keep in contact with whānau who live far away, with whānau who live on their own and to look after yourself and your tamariki.

For the remainder of the week, staff will provide some learning activities on Seesaw. These will be uploaded by teachers over the next few days. The learning activities will be available if you and your child choose to use them. We are very much aware that for the remainder of this week, your focus may be more on hauora and looking after each other.

From Monday 30 March - 14 April, it is the school holidays. We encourage you to use this time to create memories with your children and to enjoy time together.

Distance Learning is projected to begin on 15 April. We are still awaiting further clarity and information from the Ministry of Education as to how this might look. When we know more and have clarified what this might look like for our Central whānau, we will let you know.

I would also like to take this time to sincerely thank our amazing team of staff here at Central. Over the past two weeks, during a rapidly evolving situation, they have provided calm and stability to our classes, which has helped reduce the fear and worry for our tamariki.

Kia kaha.

Ngā Mihi

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