



85 Homebush Road, Glentunnel, Selwyn District 7673, Canterbury, New Zealand.
Tel: 03-318-2717 MOE: 3352 principal@glentunnel.school.nz

Tuesday 17 August 2021

Kia ora e te Whānau,

We will all be at **Alert Level 4** after midnight tonight till Friday 20 August 11.59pm which means that our school will not be open to any students. This is due to someone being identified with COVID-19 and who has been in the Auckland and Coromandel communities while believed to be infectious.

It is really important we do everything we can to keep our school community safe. Alert Level 4 means we need to stay home in our bubbles and avoid any travelling as much as possible. Supermarkets, pharmacies, foodbanks and other essential services will be open – but remember to wear a face covering if you are out and about (even a scarf wrapped around your mouth and nose will help). Check in using the NZ COVID Tracer App wherever you go and please also keep a distance from people you don't know and wash your hands well and often, especially before and after using any public facilities.

Mātai Rangitira teaching staff will be conducting the following distance learning over the next three days till Friday 20 August when we will review distance learning further. With such short notice we weren't able to hand out devices or hard packs to students in order to support distance learning.

- *Your child's class teacher will email you tomorrow and set up some learning tasks through distance learning like See-saw. The work is optional as we know you as parents/caregivers are also working with your employer about tasks you need to do. **We DON'T** want to place extra pressure on families.*
- *Curriculum teaching and learning resources (with guidance for parents) can be found online [here for English-medium](#) and [here for Māori-medium](#)*
- *Home Learning TV can be [accessed on demand here](#) or via the TVNZ App on a device (mobile phone, smart tv or tablet)*
- *Mauri Reo, Mauri Ora can be accessed on demand from Māori TV for [primary-aged tamariki](#) and here for [secondary school rangatahi](#).*
- *I will complete some **Facebook Live reading books** on Thursday 19 August and Friday 20 August at 10.00am -10.30am using the School's Facebook page. Tune in for 30minutes with your tamariki. I plan to also complete a live demonstration on how to set up a tent on the lawn as well.*

Our focus, as always, will be to support the learning, safety and wellbeing of our tamariki and school community.

Please don't hesitate to contact your child's kaiako or me, if there is something you need assistance with. Kia kaha Mātai Rangitira whānau.

Ngā mihi nui,
Ed Trotter
Tumuaki