



Dear Parents/Caregivers

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We have started into a new phase of New Zealand's response to COVID-19 and it is very different than anything most of us have ever experienced. I have had a staff meeting via ZOOM today with all of the teachers. They are delighted with those of you who have signed up in google and are submitting work. The teachers are loving seeing your mahi from home! Well done! **Remember - getting online and trying some learning was your main task this week.**

As of 3pm today, we are into school holidays. It's time to relax and enjoy your whanau. As of the 15th April we will be back into online learning. If you took a physical learning pack home, unfortunately we cannot go into school to update or replace these. As of the 15th all learning will be online. The MOE are working hard to solve device and accessibility problems for you before then. I will keep you updated. Some good news to support you either working at home and/or studying at home - Spark, Vodafone, Vocus/Slingshot, 2Degrees and Trustpower have all advised they have removed their data caps and the possibility of any extra charges based on usage.

You will understand the importance of routine for your family. If your routine has been shaken up, like you're now working from home, it's good to structure your time. Routines are reassuring, and promote health and physical wellbeing. The below timetable (targeted at children) could be something your household adapts to use over the next weeks. A school holiday version will likely look a little different, but some form of routine will still be important as we go through the lockdown period.

There are also links on our website to wellbeing information to support your family during the lockdown @ <http://www.rep.school.nz/learning-from-home/>

# COVID-19 DAILY SCHEDULE

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Before 9:00am	Wake up	Eat breakfast, make your bed, get dressed, put PJ's in laundry
9:00-10:00	Morning walk	Family walk with the dog Yoga if it's raining
10:00-11:00	Academic time	NO ELECTRONICS Sudoku books, flash cards, study guide, Journal
11:00-12:00	Creative time	Legos, magnatiles, drawing, crafting, play music, cook or bake, etc
12:00	Lunch	
12:30PM	Chore time	A - wipe all kitchen table and chairs. B - wipe all door handles, light switches, and desk tops. C - Wipe both bathrooms - sinks and toilets
1:00-2:30	Quiet time	Reading, puzzles, nap
2:30-4:00	Academic time	ELECTRONICS OK Ipad games, Prodigy, Educational show
4:00-5:00	Afternoon fresh air	Bikes, Walk the dog, play outside
5:00-6:00	Dinner	
6:00-8:00	Free TV time	Kid showers x3
8:00	Bedtime	All kids
9:00PM	Bedtime	All kids who follow the daily schedule & don't fight

A big thank you to all of you for taking the lockdown so seriously. As the Prime Minister has noted, staying at home will break the chain 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.

**A reminder - NO-ONE is to be at school.**

Ngā mihi and stay safe whanau

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