



Mangatawhiri School Newsletter 2020



Responsibility ~ Haepapa, Respect ~ Whakaute, Resilience ~ Aumangea It's the Mangatawhiri Way
 "In life we learn In school we nurture the spirit for life" STRIVE ON

20th April 2020

Dear Parents & Community Members,
 Kia Ora Koutou Katoa,

I hope all our families are as well as can be. It was lovely to see all the faces on zoom last week and to see mums and dads in the background! Even **Will Cockrell** (Sadie, George & Theo's brother) our 5-year-old newbie, has joined us on line.

Huge thanks to all our families for your wonderful support of distance learning. We can't thank you enough. The staff were thrilled to see just about everyone in their classes and the number of tasks that are being loaded to Seesaw and on line journals is phenomenal. We understand that there are some issues of connection, devices and multiple children and their tasks but you have all done well.

Mrs Dodds said it so well in her Friday class email: *"Please remember to do what is best for your family. Maintaining happy bubble buddies comes before schoolwork"*

The Government announcement regarding alert levels is not expected until 4pm today. Regardless, we need to start planning and preparing school. Please respond to the request below:

Stay well, happy, and learning at home - you are doing a grand job of The Mangatawhiri Way.

In the meantime, stay well, be connected and have fun with the learning.

Sharron Scouse

PRINCIPAL



IMPORTANT

ALERT LEVEL 3 PLANNING:

- In preparation for when we enter Alert Level 3 (whenever that may be), I need to manage the staff who are available to be on site and those who can't
- Under Alert Level 3 the recommendation is to remain at home in your bubbles if at all possible
- However, as Alert Level 3 allows for a greater group of people to return to work, opening schools allows for supervision to be undertaken during school hours
- **Please can you indicate by a return email to:**
 - principal@mangatawhiri.school.nz OR
 - text my ph: 021 141 844 (include your family name)
 - With a yes or no as to whether your child / children will be returning to school under Alert Level 3 (whenever that may be)
 - No explanation is needed but as you will appreciate, we will need to prepare school for social distancing as well as staffing levels



- ☺ **Students** who have uploaded learning to Seesaw / online
- ☺ **Parents** who have responded to school emails
- ☺ **Roger & Lyn** for keeping an eye on our school property

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School Calendar!

APRIL

Monday 20th April:

- Week 2
- Class Emails Home
- School Newsletter Home
- 4pm Government announcement re Alert Levels
- 7pm BOT Mtg on Zoom

Friday 24th April:

- Fun Day Friday:
 - Favourite Hat

Tuesday 28th April:

- Possible Teacher Only Day (to be confirmed)
- Week 3
- Class Emails Home
- School Newsletter Home

Wednesday 22nd April:

- Current date for ending lockdown level 4 (to be confirmed)

Monday 27th April:

- ANZAC Holiday Monday

Wednesday 29th April:

- Possible return to school for some students (to be confirmed)

MAY

Friday 1st May:

- Fun Day Friday:
 - Camouflage
- Class emails Home

Monday 4th May:

- Week 4
- Class Emails Home
- School Newsletter Home

Congratulations!



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK:



Room 1: **Indie Vujcich**

Being an enthusiastic learner at home and sharing her work with confidence

Hub: **Matthew Gillott**

Great self-correcting skills in his reading

Hub: **Emily Baillie**

Conquering the counting on strategy in maths

Room 4: **Caughey Tawhiti**

Great enthusiasm for learning and sharing on both Seesaw and Zoom

Room 5: **Maxx Hill**

Taking responsibility for his learning from home and getting so much done

Room 6: **Lucas Nixon**

Being proactive with his learning by completing tasks and online learning

Room 7: **Brooke McMeekan**

For effort applied to her learning tasks and completing a range of tasks to a high standard

Room 8: **Holly Smith**

Quietly working away with all her tasks this week



SCHOOL AWARDS:

Class Award:

Room 1

Great class photo on zoom all in fluro!

Staff Award:

Mrs Dodds, Mrs Marilyn Millar, Mrs McKinstry, Mrs Merrylle Millar, Mrs Schu, Mrs Young, Miss Kroef, Mrs McPherson, Miss Davis, Miss Dearlove, Mrs Biggelaar, Mrs Weight, Mrs Williams

Awesome first week of on line teaching

Parent Award:

Mrs Vujcich & Mrs Soppet

Taking the time to write a lovely email to our teachers showing your appreciation

Mangatawhiri Way: **Sadie Cockrell**

Being a fabulous big sister to Will helping him upload all his great learning



STAR WRITERS:

Room 1: **Harlan Peter**

Writing about an intriguing frozen flower experiment

Hub: **Jax Walter**

Hunting

Hub: **Riley Hutcheon**

Lockdown

Room 4: **Liam Tukiri**

Using all his spelling words in his writing

Room 5: **Ella Price**

Writing about the great board game she invented called 'Panic Buying'

Room 6: **Alex Braid**

Excellent questions and interviewing skills

Room 7: **Kacey Soppet**

10 Tips for families in lockdown

Room 8: **Mackenzie Braid**

Covid 19



Jayden Bayer Spencer, turns 12 on 20th April

Ryan Mills, turns 12 on 21st April

Jag Coventry, turns 11 on 22nd April

happy birthday!

LEARNING IN LOCKDOWN

MANGATAWHIRI SCHOOL POEM ~

Hannah Baillie

Magnificent school
An amazing place
New things to learn about and discover
Generous people
Adorable school pets
The 3 R's
An awesome principal
Welcoming
Happy and bubbly
Incredible teachers
Recreation
Imaginations running wild
Successful
Confident and proud
Honourable
Outstanding
Opportunities galore
Learning every day



10 TIPS – Kacey Soppet

10 TIPS FOR A FAMILY IN LOCKDOWN

These are my ten tips for a family in lockdown

1. Stock up on flour before!
2. It goes quicker than you think so enjoy the peace and quiet, if a fantail comes into your house it may never happen again so enjoy it!
3. Do some baking, talk to your family, play outside, put the tent up, just have fun.
4. Pay attention to some of the news to stay updated.
5. Learn a new skill, learn a just dance, practice your dancing exam work.
6. Cross your fingers so we can get out of lockdown as soon as possible.
7. Don't panic buy toilet paper.
8. Watch the grass grow.
9. Teach your family how to video call (we taught GG how to video call)!
10. Enjoy it, smile at others.

BE NICE

!Kia Kaha New Zealand!

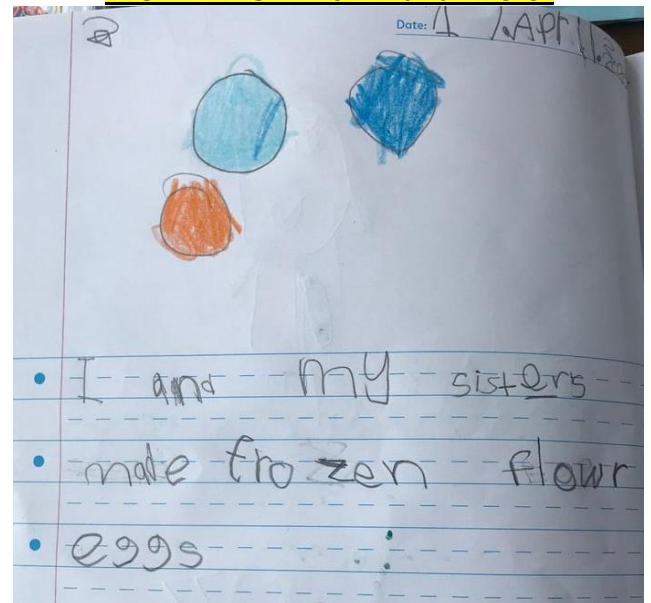
LOCKDOWN ~ Mackenzie Braid

News came
Lockdown, four weeks from midnight
Schools out!
Faces of sadness, instead of joy
Tummy upset, anxious, not knowing what to expect
Why are we in lockdown?
What does this mean?

NO friends to play with
NO freedom to go places
NO family to visit
Feeling angry, hurt, confused and frightened
Covid 19
An alien invading bodies
Making people sick
A killer,
I HATE YOU
From inside my bubble
Calmer, happier
Relieved I am safe
Sun shines, rain falls
Nature carries on
Grateful, positive
YES friends to text
YES freedom to play
YES family to call
Happy, hopeful
Covid 19
Lives changed forever
We are strong
We are one
WE WILL WIN THE FIGHT

Stay home, Stay safe, Save lives

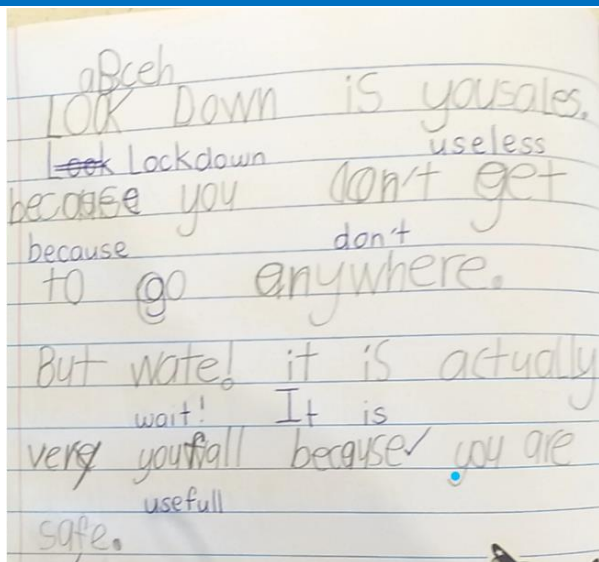
FROZEN FLOWERS ~ Harlan Peter



LOCKDOWN ~ Riley Hutcheon

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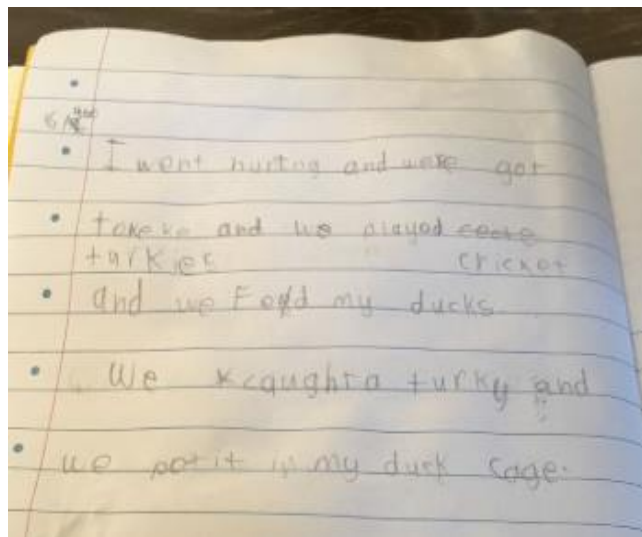


FOSTERING A CARAVAN – Liam Tukiri

On the day of lockdown my Dad took me, Elton and Jillian into Auckland to pick up my Grandy and Poppas caravan from the parking lot. We were driving up our driveway when the back of the caravan went BANG!!!!!! The hazard light came off. Once we parked the caravan in our driveway, I said I'll go find the light. I zoomed down the driveway on the four-wheeler to the mailbox to check if the light was there. It wasn't. I felt sorry that we lost the light, but my Gandy and Poppa said it's OK. They will be getting it fixed after lockdown. I like having the caravan at our house. It brightens up where we park our cars. I have played board games in the caravan, watched some movies and on Easter Eve me, my brother and Dad slept the night in it.



HUNTING ~ Jax Walter



MY MUM ~ Alex Braid

Where were you born?

I was born in England.

When did you move to New Zealand?

I immigrated to New Zealand with my parents Anne and Frank when I was 10 years old.

Do you have any siblings?

Yes I have a younger brother named Darren.

Why did you and your parents decide to come to New Zealand?

My parents wanted to give my brother and I more opportunities and a better lifestyle then we had in England at the time.

Do you like living in New Zealand?

I love living in New Zealand and am very thankful that my parents decided to make this country their home.

What do you love doing?

I love listening to and making music. Singing is my passion and I love to entertain people. I also like cooking, especially eating what I have cooked, ha-ha and spending time with my family and friends.

What do you not like doing?

I don't like doing the ironing and housework but it needs to be done. It's much better when you and Mackenzie help me.

What are some of the things you like doing with me?

I like playing games with you. I especially love the big cuddles you give me and your corny jokes.



I MADE A BOARD GAME CALLED "PANIC BUYING"!! ~ Ella Price

Today I made a game called Panic Buying. It took me 5 hours but it was worth it and really fun to play! The game takes place in a supermarket a couple days before lockdown. You roll a dice and move spaces. You can land on things to buy for example, bread so you would grab a bag of bread. The bread is points and at the end of the game, the person with the most points wins.

