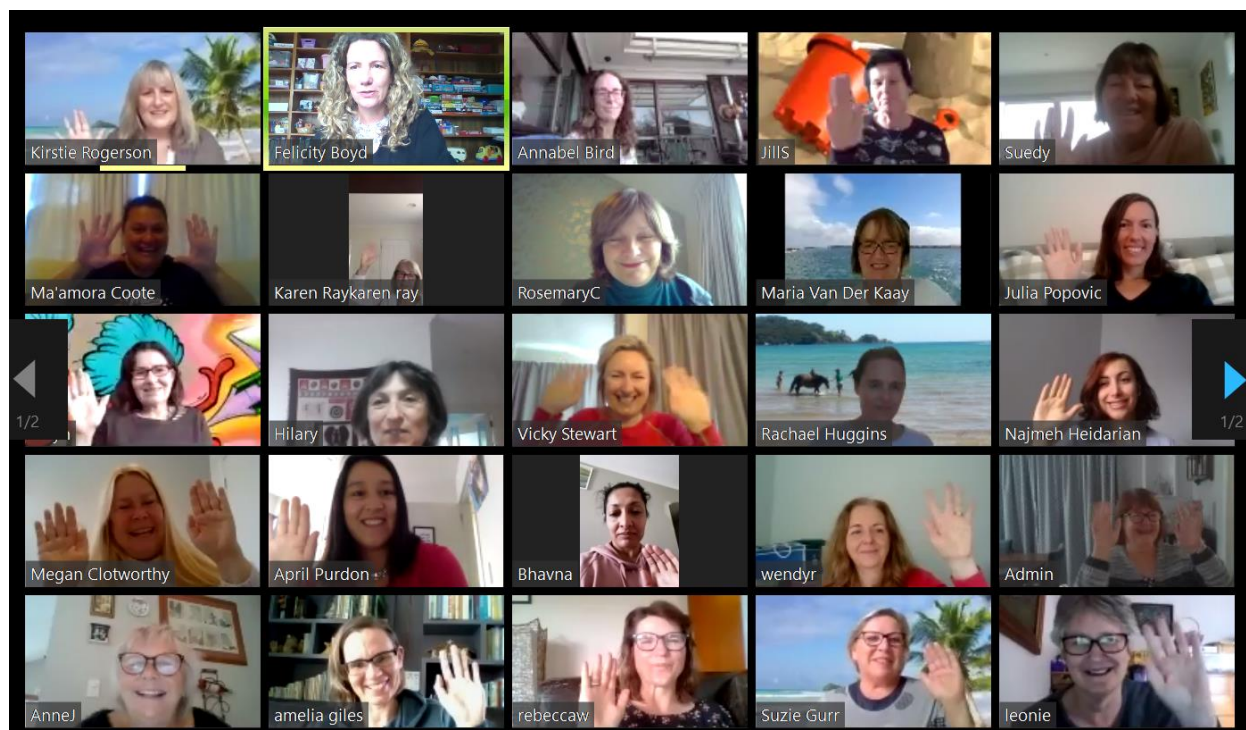


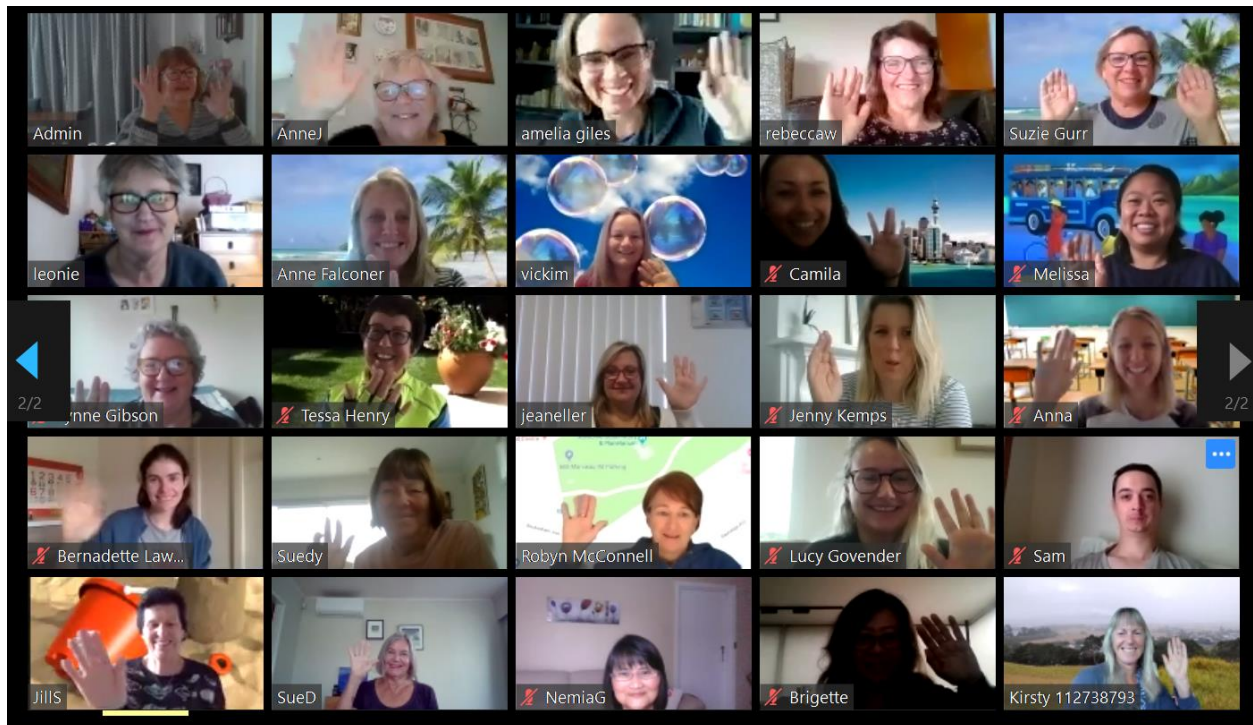
Week 1, Term 2, 15 April 2020

Kia ora, talofa lava, malo e lelei, 问候, namaste, 인사, 拝啓, mabuhay, bem vindo, fakalofa lahi atu, kia orana, kohomada, bula vinaka, huān yin, foon ying, marhaba, oso oseyo, olà, bonjour, ia orana, welcome!

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to Term 2 from the ROPS Staff. We had a Zoom staff meeting to start the term this morning. I would like to thank and acknowledge our leadership team and kaiako for all their dedication and commitment to preparing the distance learning for our tamariki. Much of their holiday break was spent preparing the programmes to support the tamariki at this very surreal time in history. Also, please accept my apologies as I didn't send a newsletter out in what was Week 9 of Term 1 as it was the week that we went into lockdown and there were many other priorities at that time. I trust that you are all safe and well in your bubbles and that you managed to spend quality time with your whanau during the holiday break.





The word unprecedented has emerged as a descriptor for the events we all find ourselves in. Teachers, used to a physical classroom, will now be teaching remotely. Parents, with a radically different home life than before, are supporting their children through an ever-changing global crisis. And today, Term Two begins.

We are very mindful that our whanau and kaiako are in varying circumstances within their bubbles. Some have a number of tamariki at home needing to share devices, others have both parents working from home with young tamariki, others have essential workers going off to work each day, others have elderly relatives in their bubble who have health concerns, and there are many other variations on what bubbles may look like. Another huge factor impacting on households currently is the possible loss of employment. This is an extremely stressful time for some whanau. I cannot emphasise enough that the most important thing at this time is the health and wellbeing of all those folk in your bubble. With that in mind, be kind to yourself and others. This is new, it is out of your control, and it is natural to feel anxious, confused, worried, or a combination of all of the above. This isn't going to last forever, this is temporary. We can get through this together.

With regards to supporting your child with learning from home, please do only what you can manage. If it becomes unmanageable, we understand. Please do not let the learning become a negative experience for anyone. You can always try again tomorrow. ☺

Please email the class teachers with any queries you may have, or you can email anyone on the leadership team and we will work on sorting any issues for you.

## ROPS Learning from Home



<https://sites.google.com/view/ropslearningathome/home>

While children are learning from home, they are away from the online safety and security services provided by Network for Learning (N4L) at school. So together with N4L and Netsafe, the Ministry have launched [www.switchonsafety.co.nz](http://www.switchonsafety.co.nz) - a free way to provide internet safety support to whanau. The ROPS Learning at Home website now also has a technical support page that has guidelines and information around some of the tools that may assist you and your tamaraki whilst learning from home. <https://sites.google.com/view/ropslearningathome/technical-support>

The Ministry has also developed a dedicated TV learning channel which will be available to support students who do not have access to the internet or devices and to supplement our specific Home Learning Programmes.

Here is the timetable for the new Home Learning TV Channel that began today, Wednesday 15th April on TV2+1. More info on:

<https://www.education.govt.nz/news/tv-education-channels-launching-on-april-15/>  
<https://www.tvnz.co.nz/livetv>



9.00am - 9.10am Parenting - Nathan Wallis  
9.10am - 9.25am Early Learning  
9.25am - 9.40am Junior Health (Age 5 - 8)  
9.40am - 9.55am Junior Literacy (Age 5 - 8)  
9.55am - 10.05am Maia the Brave  
10.05am - 10.30am Beginning Te Reo  
10.30am - 10.50am Junior Science and Maths (Age 5 - 8)  
10.50am - 11.00am Kai 5  
11.00am - 11.15am Middle Literacy and Language (Age 9 - 11)  
11.15am - 11.40am Middle Maths (Age 9 - 11)  
11.40am - 12.05pm Junior Project  
12.05pm - 12.30pm Fanimals  
12.30pm - 12.40pm Parenting with Nathan Wallis  
12.40pm - 1.00pm Aotearoa History  
1.00pm - 1.30pm Senior Literacy (Age 12 - 15)  
1.30pm - 1.55pm Born to Move - (Teens)  
1.55pm - 2.25pm Advanced Te Reo

2.25pm - 2.50pm Senior Project  
2.50pm - 3.00pm Daily Diary

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### What's coming up?

As we are, at this stage, unsure of when we will come out of Alert Level 4, I have not included the calendar in this issue of the newsletter. As we get information, we will make amendments to the calendar. We will inform you as soon as we get any information regarding returning to school.

### BOT Meeting:

Our next Board meeting is **Thursday 21 May 2020 at 7.00pm**. The focus for this meeting will be on Learning Support.

Please keep safe and well in your bubbles

He waka eke noa. Ngā manaakitanga



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## Community Notices

