



Week 9, Term 2, 10 June 2020

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

Kai ora koutou,

Wow! We made it to Alert Level 1! It has been a long time coming. Thank you to all our wonderful whanau who supported us with our restrictions at the gate and your understanding of not being able to come in unless necessary. As we move forward, you are welcome to come into school at any time. However, in the mornings, if your child is happy to come in by himself/herself, it would be wonderful if you could continue to encourage that. We have definitely noticed an increased level of independence and resilience with all our tamariki. It would be wonderful if this could continue. I am aware that this is a nationwide trend which is a positive result of the restrictions that we have been under. There was an interesting article published recently regarding some schools changing their policies completely: [Gate Drop Offs to Reduce Anxiety](#). Rest assured that our school is not suggesting that whanau doesn't come into the school as we have an open door policy and love having whanau at school. However, as mentioned above, if you can drop your tamariki off at the gate in the morning this does seem to be working well. 😊

We will be continuing to promote good hygiene practices with handwashing/sanitising and sneezing/coughing into your elbow. We will also continue the wiping of the tables with disinfectant. Hopefully this will help to prevent the spread of winter illnesses. Please note that the end of the school day is now back to normal - Year 1 will no longer be taken out to the gate for pick up. So, if you have tamariki in Year 1, please do come in to pick them up from their classroom.

If you are entering the school, we have a QR Code available at the gates and front office for you to click on if you wish - this is not compulsory, however it is a recommendation from the government. If you are visiting the school during the day, please do come to the office and sign in, we are resuming our normal practice prior to lockdown.

As always, if I have missed anything and you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me meganc@rops.school.nz.

Retirement

It is with great sadness that I announce the retirement of our treasured office administrator, Leonie Thode. Leonie leaves a legacy at ROPS as she has worked here for 31 years in a range of roles. She has seen generations of whanau come through the school and will be missed. Leonie will be leaving at the beginning of Term 3, date to be advised.

Distance Learning Survey

As we have recently emerged from a historical event which changed our teaching practice, we feel that it is important to reflect on this. We are now focusing on what we can take from what we have learnt to improve/progress our practice. The kaiako spent part of our Teacher Only Day unpacking the distance learning and reflecting on what aspects of it that we could use in our current teaching practice. We will also be surveying our tamariki. As part of our reflection we would really appreciate it if you could complete this brief survey:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=nHptahZfqkifYJZHxRUE7GlfuaNVdylEpYGz5TEv1TxUMLJYQzI2SUprSVNIWDJJQVZGMjdXWUtXSS4u>

Parent Group

AGM and new committee elected:

Last week we had the Parent Group AGM.

I would like to thank and acknowledge the work of the out-going executive:

Chair: Rebecca Ruttley. Secretary: Eloise Pulido and Treasurer: Rachael Kum.

Our newly elected 2020 executive is:

Chair: Megan Webster, Vice Chair: James McQueen, Secretary: Rebecca Verhulst, Treasurer: Amy Kirby

We look forward to another exciting year of events and fundraising. Thank you all for supporting our kura by putting yourselves forward for these roles and giving up your time. It is very much appreciated.

CARNIVAL UPDATE

Now we have reached Alert Level 1 we are delighted to be able to get back into the first part of our 'deconstructed carnival'!

RAFFLE

We will be drawing the raffle on Tuesday 23rd June at 4pm and the winners will be notified by phone. We will also announce the winner of the prize for selling the most raffle tickets.

Please note that we have had to replace our first prize of a \$2000 travel voucher with a \$2000 Prezzy card. The second prize of a Microsoft Pro Tablet worth \$950 and third prize of a \$250 Westfield voucher remain unchanged.

Please return any outstanding money or unsold tickets to your teacher by Friday 19th June. Thanks so much for your support and good luck!

SILENT AUCTION

The Silent Auction will go live on Friday 12th June @ 4pm until Sunday 21st June @ 4pm. A big thanks to our very generous local businesses for supporting us with some fantastic prizes featuring tuition, restaurant vouchers, hair & beauty and so much more! Please check the auction out!

How it all works: Our auction is run by a company called 32 Auctions. It works very similar to Trade me for example you can set auto bids and it will e-mail you if you have been outbid. If you have already registered as a bidder in previous years, you will be all good to go using the following link:

<https://www.32auctions.com/rops>

If you don't have an account, you can create one by using the link below first

<https://www.32auctions.com/users/new>

You will be able to pay and collect the item/s you have won from the school office from Monday 22nd June until Friday 3rd July. Please note credit card payments will incur a 3% surcharge.

The next Parent Group meeting is on Wednesday 1 July at 7.30pm in the Staffroom. All are welcome to attend. It would be wonderful to have a great turn out to this meeting. See you there!

Learning French

We have a wonderful parent who is keen to introduce French language teaching to our kura. At this stage we are still looking at how we may introduce this and I want to gauge how much interest we have. If you would like your tamariki to have the opportunity to learn French, please email me at meganc@rops.school.nz

Why We Teach:

Music Restart

All the ROPS Before School Music Groups and Choirs have begun. Miss Giles, our ROPS Music Specialist, has been delighted with the enthusiasm our tamariki have shown in re-starting their musical activities at school.








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What's coming up?

Please do understand that our calendar is currently rather bare. This is due to the restrictions that we have been under. As we move into Term 3 in Alert Level 1, our calendar will fill up - please watch this space carefully. 😊

Week 9	8 Y0 Enrolments	9	10	11	12
Week 10	15	16	17	18	19
Week 11	22 Y0 Enrolments	23	24	25 BOT meeting 7.00pm	26
Week 12 July	29	30	1 2nd hand Uniform sale 8:30 - 9:00am Parent Group 7.30pm	2	3 Last day of Term 2 3pm finish

BOT Meeting:

Our next Board meeting is **Thursday 25 June 2020 at 7.00pm**. The focus for this meeting will be achievement data. You are always most welcome to attend.

Have a happy fortnight.

Ma le faamaoni,



Megan Clotworthy
meganc@rops.school.nz

Community Notices

Speed limits are changing across Auckland

On the 30th of June this year speed limits will change on many of the high-risk roads across our local road network.

Why are the speed limits changing?

Auckland Transport is working through a multi-year programme (the 'Safe Speeds Programme') to review speed limits on roads across our local road network to ensure they have a speed limit that is safe and appropriate for the function, design and use of the road. Safe and appropriate speed limits will support our transport network to move people and goods effectively, efficiently and safely across Auckland.

At the end of 2019 the Auckland Transport board passed a bylaw to set new safe and appropriate speed limits on approximately 10% of the network and the first of these changes will come into effect on 30 June 2020.

Where are speed limits changing?

Most of the changes in this first phase are in Rodney, Franklin and Waitemata, including the city centre. Plus on 98 other roads across the region. A full list of the changes can be found at at.govt.nz/speed

What are the limits changing to?

The new limits vary according to the type of road. E.g. urban or rural. The city centre roads will have 30km/h and 40km/h speed limits. These new limits recognise there are a growing number of vulnerable road users like pedestrians and people on bikes in the city centre.

Details of all the roads and changes can be found on our website. at.govt.nz/speed

What happens next?

New speed limit signs will be installed in the coming weeks and will be uncovered on 30 June 2020, the date from which the limits will be legally enforceable by NZ Police. From the 1st of June there will be a public information campaign letting people know of these changes.

This is the first phase of tranche one. This tranche will be completed by November 2021. We are in the process of planning the second tranche of roads to assess.

Background to the Safe Speeds programme

Auckland has had a growing problem with death and serious injuries on our roads and at Auckland Transport we're serious about tackling that problem. We've developed a Safe Speeds Programme to review speed limits as required under the Land Transport Rule: Setting of Speed Limits 2017 to support our transport network to move people and goods across our

region effectively and efficiently, without compromising people's safety. We believe everyone deserves to get home safely.

We've also adopted a Vision Zero approach to support our target that no one dies or is seriously injured on our roads by 2050. Setting safe and appropriate speed limits, particularly on our high-risk roads and intersections, is one of the fastest and most cost-effective ways of stopping unnecessary deaths or serious injuries occurring on our roads.

In March 2019, Auckland Transport consulted with the public on the then proposed speed limit changes. Close to 12,000 feedback submissions were carefully analysed over the following months. In October 2019, the Auckland Transport Board passed the Speed Limits Bylaw 2019 to set new speed limits, including those coming into force on 30 June 2020. This first phase of changes targets high-risk roads where there has been a history of deadly crashes (extracting data from the Crash Analysis System maintained by Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency with input from NZ Police).

Find out more about Auckland Transport's Safe Speeds programme:

<https://at.govt.nz/projects-roadworks/vision-zero-for-the-greater-good/safe-speeds-programme/>

If you would like to sign up for any future email updates around the Safe Speed programme [Here's a link](#) to the form

Please find below a list of agencies who are providing support for those who may be having difficulty providing food for their whanau. Please forward this information to anyone you may be aware of that could be having difficulty.

1. Auckland City Mission Foodbank - If you need a food parcel call ACM 09 303 9266 and speak to the Crisis Care team. If you are successful, you will then be given a time to collect from ACM distribution centre at 15 Auburn Street, off Boston road in Grafton. Everyone must take ID with them.

2. Salvation Army food parcels - Contact the Mt Wellington Salvation Army Community Ministry 09 379 7615 – or their local Salvation Army Community Ministry (ring 0800 53 00 00 to find your local ministry). You will be given a time to collect your food parcel.

3. Presbyterian Support Northern - Call 09 309 2054 to arrange a pick up at 8 Madeira Lane, Grafton. Strictly no walk-ins and collections are strictly between 11-12am Mon-Fri.

4. St Vincent De Paul in Newton Branch – Call 09 815 6122 or email – Auckland@stvinnies.co.nz and they can deliver a food parcel.

5. Nga Whare Waatea Marae - Open Mon-Fri, 10am-2pm. Go to the marae at 31 Calthorp Close, Mangere with ID. Wait in car and staff will get to each person one at a time, asking relevant questions as needed.

6. Hills Church on Hillsborough Road can be emailed at office@hillschurch.nz Please provide details on your needs and they will do their best to provide a food parcel. Hills Church has also offered to go shopping for those that cannot leave home due to self-isolation if needed.

ANI Enrolment



Auckland Normal Intermediate

Enrolments are now open for 2021!

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Please note a change in Auckland Normal Intermediate Open Days and Parent Info Evenings. The link with further information is as follows,

<https://ani.school.nz/how-to-enrol/>

The next open day is on 24 June which is an open day/parent info evening.



Parnell Trust's Winter Action Holiday Programme

– awesome activities every day for 5-14 year olds from 6-17 July

Parnell Trust has an amazing line-up of activities, adventures and special projects for the July holidays, guaranteed to keep your kids happy and stimulated all day long! Choose from two activities each day priced from \$59. Specially for busy parents, you can drop your kids off as early as 7.30am and pick them up as late as 6pm for no extra charge. Programmes are available in both Parnell and Epsom. See our website for details and to enrol online <https://www.parnell.org.nz/shp> or phone 09 555 5194.