



Week 9, Term 3, 22 September 2021

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

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Nǐ hǎo,

Happy Mooncake Festival! (Tuesday 21 September)

I would like to make a huge shout out to all our whānau who have been supporting our tamariki and their distance learning since August 18. We know that this presents its challenges, especially if you are working from home. We understand how difficult this can be and very much appreciate the time and effort that whānau have put in. We also understand if it has become too difficult, that you have focused on other things. Although, many of our tamariki have worked so hard and have engaged incredibly well, which is wonderful. Our tamariki learn in many different ways, so even though some may not have been doing academic tasks, they may have spent time learning how to manage themselves, baking, gardening, creating, making beds, being organised and generally helping out more around the household. These are all lifelong learning skills that utilise academic skills and contribute to being a well-rounded individual.

As we have moved into Alert Level 3, Bubble School has begun. I would like to acknowledge all of the whānau who I know would have liked to have sent their tamariki back to school in Level 3 but were unable to because they didn't fit the criteria. Please do understand that we are required to follow the Ministry of Health and the Ministry of Education guidelines. This does restrict our capability for the number of tamariki that we can have on-site at Alert Level 3, and this can only be the tamariki from the whānau where there is no adult at home. We very much appreciate your understanding, flexibility and support with this.

This has been a challenging time for our community, Auckland and our entire country.

We are all very much looking forward to getting back to some sense of normality at the beginning of Term 4. Let's hope that we are in at least Alert Level 2 by then, if not Alert Level 1!

ROPS Connect

Whaea Julia has managed to capture a variety of activities that have been taking place during lockdown. Here is the latest lockdown episode of ROPS Connect [Lockdown ROPS Connect](#) .

Lockdown Tips for whanau and communities

Please find below a short video hosted by Dr Hinemoa Elder and Nathan Wallis with lockdown tips for whānau and communities.

- <https://parents.education.govt.nz/essential-information/covid-19-information-for-parents-and-whanau/lockdown-tips-with-dr-hinemoa-elder-and-nathan-wallis/>

If your whānau are struggling right now there's lots of support in this community, so don't be shy to reach out. Onehunga foodbanks serving whānau in this area run on Wednesdays but can respond if there's a need on other days. If you've exhausted WINZ support, contact either

- New Hope Foodbank, Onehunga on 021770050 or email foodbank@newhope.org.nz
- Beat St Foodbank, Oranga, call 0800 767767

Also, food parcels are given out at St Peter's on the mall, Onehunga Embracing Families, Saturdays 10 to 12pm. Just turn up.

There are also the big foodbanks: Salvation Army 0800530000, St Vinnie's 0800680090 and Auckland City Mission 0800223663. Be patient, phone lines are busy, but they will get back to you.

A BIG thank you to those who have donated or dropped off food to foodbanks or local pataka.

Naku te rourou nau te rourou, ka ora ai te iwi. ❤️

(With your foodbasket and my foodbasket the people will thrive) ❤️

Other opportunities to Support learning at Home

Schedule for Home Learning TV | Papa Kāinga

The programming schedule for Home Learning TV | Papa Kāinga on the Learning from Home website is now available as a downloadable PDF. [See the schedule here](#). A reminder of how to enable captions - [information can be found here](#). It is primarily for learners without internet connectivity. It can be accessed on Duke+1 (Freeview channel 18). Those households who have Sky can also access Duke +1 on channel 504. For households who have internet connectivity they can access the lessons through TVNZ On Demand.

Mauri Reo, Mauri Ora

In partnership with Māori Television, the Mauri Reo, Mauri Ora Kōanga 2021 series has been launched to ensure Māori language learning can continue anywhere, anytime for tamariki. Mauri Reo, Mauri Ora Kōanga 2021 screens on Te Reo channel every weekday from 9am to 12pm. Programmes will also be available online on the Māori TV website and on the Māori+ app.

Board of Trustees

The next meeting will be held at **6.00pm on Monday 27 September** - on zoom. Please email me (meganc@rops.school.nz) if you would like the link. Our curriculum focus for this meeting will be Inquiry and Local Curriculum.

Please do take care and let us know how we can best support you and your whānau.

Keep safe and well.

Kia kaha

Ngā mihi nui



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