



Term 3 Newsletter

Week 5

18th August 2020

Kia Ora, Talofa lava, Malo e lelei, Kia orana, Faka alofa lati ahu, Bula, Namaste, Ni Hao and Hello to everyone

Dear parents, caregivers and whanau,

I'm sure everyone is feeling unhappy and worried to find ourselves back in lockdown level 3. Just when we thought everything was getting back to normal with school events and sports and all the usual things we enjoy.

The best thing is that we have done lockdown before and won and we can do it again. It has been great to see so many families picking up a home learning pack. Please don't force your children to complete everything – just do what you can. Most of all keep yourselves safe – remind your children about handwashing, coughing into their elbow and not getting into other peoples “moist breath zone”.

*We will meet again soon
Kia kaha,
Shirley Hardcastle*

KEY DATES

SCHOOL TERMS

2020

15th April – 3rd July

20 July – 25th Sept

12th Oct – 15th Dec

August 26th
Current return to
Level 2 date

(To be confirmed)

Netsafe – 12th August - Postponed

To help parents keep a check on what children are watching at home, you can get a FREE filter “Switch on safety” which will keep children safe from scams, bad software and adult content

www.switchonsafety.co.nz.



Photolife Postponed to 18th November

Please contact Photolife 0800 501040 if you want your order for a family photo refunded.

Junior Playground

Construction will continue on this over the level 3 lockdown period. I am hoping it will be finished and ready for playing on when we return to school.

Learning at home TV

Y1-8

9am -1pm Monday to Friday on **Duke** Ch 13 Freeview or Ch 23 on Sky.

0 to 18 years. 9am to 3pm Monday - Friday

Te Reo **Māori Channel** via SkyTV, Vodafone channel 82 and Freeview Channel 15

Talanona Ako app

The Ministry of Education has released a great new app which you can download for free from IOS or the app store – Talanoa Ako. It has a lot of information about learning at school and if you want you can change from English to any one of 10 Pasifika languages



Viscount app

One of the things we found out during lockdown was that it was hard to get in touch with some of you because our records had an old address or an old phone number. We will be seeking to update our contact list over the next few weeks.

Many parents found this app helpful. It is free.

<https://viscountschool.apps.school.nz/install/>

This app works on Android and Apple devices and is an easy way to get your newsletter or any important alerts. You can also send absence notices through this ap.

