

# SEFTON SCHOOL



Dear parents, caregivers and whanau, Kia ora koutou

I trust all of you are well in your expanded bubbles at the moment. Today schools start up again with pupils attending in a very limited capacity.

Alert Level 3 is “Restrict - high risk the disease is not contained” - if you can stay home, you must stay home - therefore the schools in the Puketeraki Kahui Ako have agreed to a set of protocols which will apply to all our schools whilst at Level 3. “School” will not be ‘as usual’ and there are tight restrictions that are in place to ensure the health and safety of staff, students and our community. These guidelines were outlined in the previous newsletter.

There are a very small number of children and teachers coming into school each day which constitute our school ‘bubble’, so to ensure their safety at school no one is to come onto the school grounds during the day. If your circumstances change you must ring the school principal before coming to school. You cannot just turn up at the school gate and expect to leave your child at school without prior arrangement.

## Online learning

Well done to all the students and their families for taking to this mode of learning so well.

The teachers are all sharing the wonderful work that the children are doing during our virtual staff meetings via Google Hangouts.

To help bring the school learning together the staff have been developing a website that will give all of the school community easy access to the main sites that the children are using, their work expectations and examples of the work they are doing. We hope that you find this an easy way to see what is going on across the school as well. This can be accessed at

<https://sites.google.com/sefton.school.nz/seftonschoolhomelearning/home>

There could be a few links that don’t quite work as expected but rest assured we will be working on this to get it right. The teachers will also be working to keep this site updated with new material for next week or weeks if the level 3 is continued.

In Newsletter Term 2.2 I highlighted the Genesis-school-gen page on the Learning at Home website with a specific mention of the Bouncing Egg experiment. This week Michael from room 5 shared with me his experiment. Thanks Michael.

The Learning at Home web site can be found at: <https://learningfromhome.govt.nz/> and I encourage you to have a look and see what activities you can do with your children yourselves.

It has been great to see children's work coming through. Some of their work is highlighted on a webpage that can be accessed from the home page of the school's home learning page or

<https://sites.google.com/sefton.school.nz/onlineprojects2020/home>

**The following are some activities sent through from Life Education for different year levels**

### **Juniors, Years 1-2**

This learning activity encourages students in whānau groups/school bubbles to choose different physical activities, which then can be used for the game.

- [Harold's Fitness Game](#)

### **Middles, Years 3-4**

This learning activity involves a crossword with information about the body. The answers are included on the second page.

- [Healthy Factory Crossword](#)

### **Seniors, Years 5-6**

This learning activity encourages students to find words associated with being healthy. The words in the wordfind can then be used to make a sentence about things they can do to stay happy and healthy.

- [Healthy Wordfind](#)

### **Intermediates, Years 7-8**

This independent learning activity looks at different aspects of exercise; such as how it helps the body, different ways to exercise and graphing your heart rate. The answers for the teacher are on the second page.

- [Excellent Exercise](#)

Have a great week.

David Haythornthwaite, Principal

Please send any pictures, videos, or work extracts through to [MrH@sefton.school.nz](mailto:MrH@sefton.school.nz) to go in this week's prize draw.