



Kia ora GEPS whānau

This newsletter is to let you know what is happening during Alert Level 3 at GEPS. This will replace the usual Tuesday newsletter.

At home learning:

We have put the at home learning links for each team back onto our school website. These have a range of online learning ideas as well as activities your children could do that are “unplugged”. All online learning will resume and your child/ren will have already been invited to at least one class online meeting so far. This week there will be at least three class zoom meetings. See below for details about specific programmes for each team.

Devices:

Thank you to all the whānau who picked up devices last week for Tui team students. We only have a couple left so email Donna on donnas@geps.school.nz or text on 0272970371 to secure one of the last ones. You will need to pick these up from school.

Contacting class teachers:

All staff can be contacted using their first name and the initial of their last name followed by @geps.school.nz. All staff emails are on display on the 2020 staff tab of the GEPS website.

Students at school:

During Level 3 we will be open for students of essential workers who are not able to be looked after in another setting. We need to know as soon as possible if that is your child as we need to ensure we have the correct ratios and safety plan in place. Please contact Donna either on donnas@geps.school.nz or text on 0272970371. We will send additional information to those parents once we know who we have. Last week there were no students at Alert Level 3.

<p style="text-align: center;">Kiwi Team Rooms 1,2,6,12,15</p>
<p>Kiwi Team teachers will primarily be contacting whānau through ClassDojo but will contact in other ways if you aren't signed up for this. Teachers will share Learning Menus for the upcoming week but please also refer to the ones that were shared during our previous lockdown.</p> <p>These learning sites are also still relevant:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Reading Eggs - contact ngairew@geps.school.nz if you have any issues● Sunshine Classic● Maths Prodigy
<p style="text-align: center;">Takahē Team Rooms 4,5,9,11,13</p>
<p>Takahē Team will be contacting whānau using email or text as we did last time. Class teachers will make contact to check that the details they have are still relevant. We will continue to use learning grids. You should have already received one last</p>

Wednesday and another one will be emailed tomorrow.

If you have access to online learning we are still using:

- Reading Eggs (some students) contact ngairew@geps.school.nz if you have any issues
- Sunshine Classics
- Prodigy (if your child does not have a logon and would like one please email their teacher)
- Prototec is a good online site for practicing basic facts (no logon is required)
<https://maths.prototec.co.nz/>

Unfortunately our Zoo trip will not go ahead on Thursday. I will contact the zoo to see if we can reschedule again!

We will also postpone the Takahē performance hopefully to later in the term, depending on what the alert levels allow.

Tui Team
Rooms 3,7,10,14,16

Tui Team teachers will again be putting together a Home Learning Menu for each of their classes using the Google Classroom Platform. Students can access **Google Classroom** by logging in using their school gmail accounts. All whānau of Tui students will hear from their class teacher when this is set up ready to go. If you have not received a message, please email Alana McKenzie at alanam@geps.school.nz and we will get this information to you. These menus of learning contain a selection of activities that are set for the week. We encourage Tui students to spend about 30 minutes each on Reading, Writing and Maths and then choose one other activity per week day if they can.

Additionally, students may also access these sites if they have logins for them:

- Reading Eggs
- Studyladder
- Math Prodigy
- Read Theory
- Stepsweb

If your child doesn't know their login details, you can email their teacher to get these.

As always please contact your child/ren's teacher or contact us for any information you may need. We hope to see you all again very soon.

Stay safe whānau.

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