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Today's update and check in

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Kia ora hato Mere Whanau,

In our first day of closure we have already had many positive responses to the communications between the school staff and yourselves. We will continue to update you all through this time and keep our connections strong so our community is as strong if not more so when we return to this beautiful physical space.

All teachers have provided either physical or digital learning resources for your children, some both. If you have not collected the physical learning resources, please do. I will leave Room 5 open tomorrow from 9am - 3pm again as some parents have been in contact and were not able to come in to collect today.

If not collected by tomorrow then it will not be possible to collect as the school will be closed until further notice.

School Holidays

Many of you by now will have listened to the updates in regards to the school term and holidays. Officially our end of term holidays will now begin on Monday 30 March and will go for a two week period ending on Wednesday 15 April.

That means at the end of this week your children are officially on holiday! This has an impact on learning and teacher availability during this time. I will have an outline of what this will look like by tomorrow for you all.

We are definitely ahead of the pack in regards to being prepared as a school. All of the staff have been fantastic as have you all in response to yesterday's announcements.

A huge thank you goes to the teaching staff for their swift responses in regards to continued learning during this time.

Below is a snapshot of our school's newest enrollments in Mr Dowling's office. COVID Cat who has 19 lives and her best friend Ziggy the Zebra.

Stay tuned over the following weeks to see what these two friends are up to with their learning here at Te Kura O Hato Mere as they venture into uncharted waters getting to know their surroundings and fitting in with their peers, developing their learning and extending their physical skills.

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I wonder what they will get up to next?

Stay safe and connected as a whanau.

God bless you all,

Paddy Dowling