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Kia ora everyone

The teachers and support staff have had a wonderful day at school yesterday catching up and sharing their experiences of Lockdown while preparing the school for children to return on Monday. It has been another interesting week with the announcement on Monday that we move to Level 2 this week and schools start back on Monday 18th May.

Tokanui School is prepared for your children returning with; extra cleaning in place, sanitiser available for regular use throughout the day and a visitor register to trace anyone in contact with the school. **Please note that if you come on the school site (both in the buildings and the grounds), you must come through the office and record your details in the visitor register.** Children are still to enter through the gates at the sides of the office buildings. **If you are collecting children, get a message to the Office and the children will come out the front of the school with the Walking Line, and you can collect them from there.**

This first week back will be a time of learning the new routines and welcoming our tamariki back onsite after seven weeks away. The teachers, support staff and I are really looking forward to seeing the children and I imagine that they are looking forward to playing with their mates again. They will be able to play on the playground with each other; they just have to wash their hands and/or sanitise before and after going out to play. Any children who have flu-like symptoms must stay at home and any children who show symptoms while at school will be sent home. With the delay to duck shooting taking place next weekend, we are having a 'Camo Day' on Friday. Children can put aside their camo clothing to wear on this day and we will have the duck calling competition outside on the courts also.

Thank you to the parents and grandparents that have supported children over the last seven weeks, particularly with the unusual situation of Home Learning. We were all thrown into it but I am so appreciative of how the staff and our families have embraced the situation and made this work. We have had good attendance online from all of our classes and teachers have learned a lot about their children through the sharing of what they have been doing while at home. Thank you all for making the most of a very unusual and surreal situation.

Looking forward to a great week back at Tokanui School with our wonderful tamariki.

Regards

Kate Stevenson

Principal

"Sneeze into your elbow, keep some distance, be kind to each other and wash your hands, wash your hands, wash your hands!"

Dates to put on your Calendar:

18th May - Starting day for all students and Staff.

22nd May - Camo Day

29th May - Teacher Only Day - *(This was booked prior to Level 4 Lockdown. This will still possibly go ahead and will give you a four day weekend as the Monday is Queens Birthday).*

1st June - Queens Birthday

3rd July - End of Term 2

20th July - Start of Term 3

Team Blurbs:

Team Kikorangi: Thank you so much for all the work both children and parents have done for our online learning programme. I am very excited to see all your smiley faces on Monday. Remember to bring a drink bottle and a pencil case if you don't already have one at school.

Team Kowhai: Wooohooo, the time has come for us to break out of our bubbles and emerge back into the wild. During this time, I have learned bears can lose up to half of their body weight during hibernation... after all the home-made baking we have indulged in, I don't think the same is going to apply to our family. Isolation has had its highs and lows and I can't wait to hear everyone's stories and see their faces back at school on Monday. Have a great weekend.

Team Karaka: I look forward to heading back to school on Monday. I have enjoyed connecting with the children using Google meet, but I am very excited to get back and share what adventures they have been having while in lockdown. You all have done an amazing job with helping your child's learning over this time, I know this hasn't always been easy with juggling farm, work and having other children to help with online learning.

Team Papura: I'm looking forward to seeing everyone on Monday. It will be exciting to be back in the classroom.

If you haven't already got the School App, then jump on Google Play (Android) or App Store (Apple) and look for School App NZ. Download it, look for Tokanui School, click on what Alerts you would like then you will be first to know what's going on as this is our preferred way of communicating. If you have trouble or would like help to download it, then that's no worry either, just ask Marylyn and she's happy to talk you through it.



Remember if you have got it to update your Alert preferences (If your child has moved rooms or has joined Kapa Haka etc.

Next week it is back to the original format of the newsletter. If you want an advert in then please email it to patricia@tokanui.school.nz Space will be limited from next week due to it being back in paper form.

The school looking ready for everyone coming back on Monday.



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Community News

Niagara Falls Cafe

Good News!! Niagara Falls Cafe is open again Thursday 14th May and will be running our winter hours 11am - 4pm and closed Tuesday and Wednesdays. Following the Ministry of Health guidelines for hospitality, we have implemented a few changes-including less seating, limited group sizes, table only service and a check in tracing system upon entry. The system we are using is [Checkin-19](#) there will be a QR code to scan at the door and we will have manual sign in sheets available as well as sanitiser. Looking forward to seeing you all again. Sue, Dale, Lina and Ravi



Tumu Toka Curioscape Cafe & Restaurant



With great excitement we can announce that Tumu Toka Curioscape Cafe & Restaurant and Curio Bay Camping Ground will be re-opening this Thursday 14th of May!

In order to keep everyone safe and in following the Level 2 restrictions there will be a few changes to the way we operate.

Good hygiene practices have always been something we have taken seriously but we have made further changes to ensure your safety. We have new opening hours of Wednesday - Sunday 11am till 9pm with an all day blackboard menu running from 11am till 8pm.

We will also be using a reservation system so please phone us to reserve a table for lunch or dinner.

All customers / visitors will be required to fill in our contact tracing register and be seated on arrival. We will ask everyone entering our premises to follow these Level 2 restrictions.

Our crew will do their very best to ensure great service, so please remember to be patient and kind.

Thank you,

We look forward to seeing you!

TOKANUI BISTRO

We will be open today, Thursday/Friday/Saturday 5pm-8pm, takeaways only for this week only, next week will be back to normal as the pub will be open as well and can have dine-in resuming.

Please phone your order in as we still have requirements to follow.

Eftpos/cash payments

Thanks everyone for your patience during this trying time, looking forward to seeing you all again.

FRESH OYSTERS 😊😊

If you would like takeaway meals, can you please PM my personal messenger so I can organise for that please.

Take care and still stay safe.

Fortrose Cafe and Restaurant

We are open Friday 11-3pm, Saturday and Sunday 9 -3pm

TOKANUI TAVERN

Hi to our valued costumers just a quick update to let you all know how thing are going to pan out..

We will open Thursday 21st of May.

Here are some guidelines for opening under Level 2.

All patrons are to follow the 3 s"s guided to us by law.

1. Must be seated at a table or leaner, no more than 10 people. Excluding the bar.
2. Spacing between each table and person will be 1 metre with no more than 10 max per table.
3. Patrons must not go to the bar, you will be served at your table by Staff.

Please work with us during this trying time, this is all new to us too as we all work through this together.

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Pea Straw Update

Now we are at Alert Level 2 we can move on with this. Due to duckshooting and Queens Birthday weekend we are now looking at delivery 6th or 7th June. Thanks everyone for your patience. Any late orders or queries to Cheryl Leith 027 246 8721. Thanks.

Medical Centre News

Medical centre is open but with strict restrictions. There are no changes to the 111 service so please call this in an emergency. Please phone the clinic to arrange an appointment time so we do not have people waiting and can clean etc. We have flu vaccines available for priority patients and have run some vaccine clinics please phone the medical centre if you would like a vaccine. Nurse can be reached Mon-Fri 0800-1630 on 0278108801 and via 111 service.



On behalf of Toi Tois Playcentre, due to Covid19 we are unable to do our cheese roll fundraiser this year. We look forward to your continued support next year.

[Tokanui Home and School Fundraiser- Entertainment book is now an app on your phone, no longer providing a book option.](#)

As NZ moves out of the Covid-19 Lockdown, an Entertainment membership is a great way to find and support the local businesses that have been through some very challenging times recently. Support our community, and buy your Entertainment Membership here - <https://www.entertainmentbook.co.nz/orderbooks/9b31766>

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