

# HUNUA SCHOOL WELCOME TO TERM 3 WEEK 7

Tena koutou

Haere mai

Mālō e lelei

Fakaalofa lahi atu

Hello families, students & whānau



**Welcome Back to school for the second time this term:**



**Hunua School Kids:** Now is a really important time to remember our RiCH Values, especially **Caring / manaakitanga**.

Your friends, class mates and teachers will all have had different experiences during our Alert Level 3 lockdown. Some people will have had a lot of fun and things will have been easy. Some of our Hunua families and teachers may also have had some sad and difficult moments during lockdown.

**Caring / manaakitanga** means that you are showing kindness and concern for others. You will soon find that other people show kindness and concern for you in return.



**Senior students – you will need to lead the way ... role model Caring.**

**Hunua families & whānau:** Thank you for once again juggling children, work & life in general. I know we were all aware that lockdown could happen again. I think perhaps it was just a little sooner than we had expected. The teachers enjoyed the photos they received from some families and the work from students. We fully appreciate the effort that goes into distance learning. We hope your children treated you with kindness. Our classes range between 22 – 30 students, so you have the teachers full understanding as to how hard it is to fit everything in, answer everyone's questions, motivate and give guidance when every child has a different learning style or different needs to help them learn.

If you weren't able to do many / any of the activities sent through by your children's teachers, don't feel bad. You will have made the decision based on the needs of your family at the time.

Now we are back at school you can help your child with their spelling, basic facts & reading – all year levels.

**Our teachers** – Thank you so much for slotting back into distance learning. I know your students and parents will have appreciated your efforts. Hoping all your families coped with the sudden change of levels also.

We had our own little bit of school excitement when Ms. Merlyn Thompson & Miss Bronwyn Clegg were not allowed to cross the border into Auckland to help out at school. Mrs Helen Davenport & Mrs Aimee Nortje, fortunately, were able to join me at school.

## **Disappointment for our awesome students**

As with the first lockdown there are a number of school events that have been cancelled or postponed e.g. **Year 1-6 trip to Auckland Museum** has been postponed until Friday 6 November, assuming we are at Level 1. **Year 7&8 Sports Camp** has been cancelled for 2020. We will think up something for our Intermediate class. We will keep you up to date with any other changes.

Fortunately, just before lockdown, the team from Camp Adair came up to school so the Year7&8's could try out lacross and archery.



## **Teacher Only Day**

To relieve pressure on our families we have decided to postpone on the Teacher Only Day that we had set down for Monday 14 September. We will let you know when a new date has been set. The Teacher Only set for Tuesday 27 October (attached to Labour Weekend) will still occur.

If you have any questions or concerns please get in touch [kburden@hunua.school.nz](mailto:kburden@hunua.school.nz)



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