



TITAHI BAY SCHOOL - KURA KIDS are Believers and Achievers

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I am now in school and writing this newsletter from my desk which tells me we are moving along. Alert Level 3 is very strange at school and the protocols to be able to have KURA kids safe and here learning, for essential workers who have no one at home to care for children is very different. I think even the KURA kids here at school have found social distancing very difficult and they just want to touch and play with each other. I hear Miranda McMahon often saying "keep to your own bubble!"

My thoughts are **'be gentle with yourself, we do not grow when things are easy, we grow when there are challenges'** . I feel I have grown in these times, learning new skills and operating in way I never thought I would as Principal of this school.

I want to thank our community for your support and lovely emails, funny photos and videos and also for the generous hearts you have in supporting others who may need support and help at this time. We have had money, vouchers and groceries delivered and this really shows it takes a village to raise a child. Our village is very supportive of others.

Most families should have received the Ministry of Education packs and the feedback is there is some great learning resources to work on together at home. Year 5 and 6 packs will take a little longer to get to you. If you do not receive yours please check with the school that your contact details are correct. You may need to go to your old house to collect if you have moved and not previously updated your details at school.

We have rung all homes at least 2 times now to check in on how everyone is. If you are feeling isolated or need some support please let me know by either ringing school on 2368399 or email me on kerry.delaney@titahibay.school.nz. Our social workers in school who work for Family Works are currently offering social worker help if you need professional support.

If you have an urgent need of food you can ring 0800141967 the Porirua City Council call centre or you can contact me. Please do email our teachers if you need any support as they will help in any way they can. I will come back to you next week when I know more about Alert Level 2 and how this works in a school setting. So keep doing the wonderful work at home and get out in this amazing environment we live in that is Titahi Bay and feel the wind in your face as it really does make you feel good.

Kerry Delaney

Principal