



St Mark's School Newsletter

Term 2 Week 3
29 April 2020

From the School Bubble

Mauri ora St Mark's Whānau, and greetings to you all on this sunny day!!

I want to sincerely thank the school community - our whānau - for your support in Alert Level 3. You are staying at home where you can, supporting amazing learning online. We are so encouraged by your support and in a way staff are privileged to be "sharing" your bubble.

Please continue to connect with your teacher - all classroom teachers are at home in Alert Level 3.

School Bubble!

Today Mr Rennie and myself were joined by Mr Clarkson and Miss Bryant in the "school bubble". Adrian and I will be here every day in Alert Level 3 apart from Mondays when I will be joined by Dan. May is the super standby.

We have a wonderful group of students at school. We have been so thrilled with their care of each other today and the mature ways they have responded to the "strangeness" of social distancing and our strict hygiene measures. Never again will they have their own personal toilet at school!!

Our Onsite Learning today has consisted of:

- Classroom online learning - our priority.
- Eating and playing in our set areas.
- HAND SANITISER
- A story from Mr Rennie
- Sport, with our own box of gear to choose from.
- A movie - optional
- The whole playground (well our bits of it) to ourselves.

- Flexible times to do our work and have time to play.
- A wave from Mrs Truman and Edward!

Kaitakitanga!

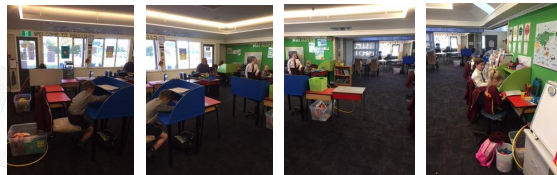
Being a guardian and protector of what has been left to us by our ancestors - like our environment, our language in particular Te Reo, our waterways and each other - has never been more apparent. A fantail has made a visit to our garden every day since the second week of lockdown, a new occurrence in 14 years.

What will we take in the season after lockdown that speaks of that guardianship?

Office

Whilst our office staff are onsite in Alert Level 3, they are in their own bubble.

Contact must be made through email or phone call - we are strictly observing a NO VISITOR rule during the next 2 weeks.



Life in our bubble at school!

Prayers for continued safety of you all.

Blessings Averil

