# Leabank Primary School



HE AKONGA MUTUNGA KORE

Newsletter

for 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2020

7 Dr Pickering Avenue, Manurewa, Auckland School Telephone: 267 6939 – School Fax: 267 3053 www.leabank.school.nz Greetings, Tena koutou, Kia Orana, Talofa Lava, Fakalofa Lahi Atu, Malo e Lelei, Hola, Ni hao, Namaste, Xin Chao, As-salamu Alaykum

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Week 4 Term 2

# **WELCOME BACK!**

It has been wonderful to see some normality return this week. Just over half of our school students have returned during the first week of Level 2. At school, we have strong hygiene practices in place and are focussing first and foremost on children's well being. While most of the school day is familiar to the children we have needed to put in place strong systems to be able to trace people on site, outside of students and staff. I anticipate that we will need to keep these measures in place until we move to Alert Level 1.

Under Alert Level 2 we must restrict access to children and staff only. On occasions such as enrolling students, collecting children who become sick or to discuss urgent well-being issues for students, we will meet with parents by appointment. In this event, as with any visitors or tradespeople, a register must first be signed at the school office for the purpose of contact tracing.

We will continue to meet children at the gate in the morning under Alert Level 2. We cannot guarantee to be available before 8:00 am and ask that you aim for 8:15 am onwards to allow us time to set up in the morning. After school, we have staggered release times. Children walking home are released straight away at 2:45 pm. Children being picked up by parents can go once the children have located the adult picking them up. Children waiting for older siblings from other schools will be released after 3:00, again once they are with the older sibling.

### **WET WEATHER**

Once we strike wet weather at the end of the day there will be two possible actions. If it is a short spell of rain and likely to pass quickly we will simply delay releasing any children until the shower has passed.

In heavy rain likely to persist children walking home will go as soon as possible in order to get home and dry quickly. Children waiting for parents will go to the school hall. In this event, parents can enter the school grounds, go directly to the hall, and collect children. Please be patient and maintain social distancing as much as possible. Children waiting for older siblings will be brought to the hall for pick up at 3:05 pm.



### STUDENT LOCKDOWN POEM

### THE BEST PART OF BEING IN LOCKDOWN.

Being able to sleep in longer than usual because normally we have to wake up at 6:30 in the morning to get ready for school.

Doing fun activities to entertain all of us. This is normal, but we did a lot more because we were stuck in our bubble.

Being able to read more books to learn new words. I love to read, and during the lockdown, I had heaps of time to read.

Eating heaps. My dad and aunty cook us yummy meals every day.

# THE WORST PART OF BEING IN LOCKDOWN.

Not being able to go to school to meet my friends

Also not being able to go out to parks to go on our bikes and things like that which is boring sometimes.

Not being able to see parts of our family for important reasons.

Because COVID-19 kept us in lockdown inside our bubbles, which meant we could not leave our homes for many weeks.

By Qabir Hassan, Room 15

# **SAMOAN LANGUAGE WEEK**

Next week is Samoan Language week. The theme for this year is: "Tapena sou oso mo lau malaga" meaning "Prepare yourself a gift for your travels".

To celebrate Samoan Language Week, students are able to come to school dressed in their Samoan traditional dress on Friday 29th May.



# **UPCOMING EVENTS FOR TERM 2**

Sunday 24th May - Saturday 30th May Samoan Language Week



Queens Birthday Monday 1st June

Wednesday 1st Parent Teachers Conference

Term 2 Ends Friday 3rd July

Yours sincerely

R W Maddren Principal

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Samoa Language Week 2020 Sunday 24 May – Saturday 30 May

Prepare yourself a gift for your travels



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### **New Zealand**

COME AND ENJOY

Free Thai Meals

Sunday, 24 May, 2020 Start 11.30 AM. (over 1000 Dishes)

@ Car Park Opposite Manukau Police Station

Meals include 1. Fried Rice 2. Sweet and Sour

3. Pad Thai 4. Curry Puff 5. Fruits