

Leabank Primary School

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Dear Parents/Caregivers

We are now back in Alert Level 3. Please keep safe and stay home in your bubble as we can manage our way through this. At this stage we are only in Alert Level 3 until Wednesday. Teachers are preparing hard packs and gathering devices so that we can distribute these in the event that the lockdown goes on for much longer. It is possible that we will all be back at school at Alert Level 2 on Thursday but it is also possible that the lockdown will be extended. If it is extended we will be on hand at school for you to pick up hard packs, should it be longer, devices will become available Thursday onwards. As this has happened so early in the school year, children may need extra help to log on and connect with their teacher. An information sheet will be provided along with devices specific to the children that they are given out to.

As far as your child's classroom teacher is concerned, where possible, they will be in touch with those students that are able to be contacted. They will also be available to their students and their whanau from 10:00am to 12:00noon and 1:00pm to 3:00pm on school days. Please be mindful that many of our teachers also have their own children and whanau to care for as well as teach.

For those of you able to connect with your own device from home we have listed contact details for our teachers and some websites which may be of use to you in learning from home.

It is a great idea to **re-discuss internet safety with your child**, regardless of their age. Create the rules and agreement with your child about what they can do online, including safe suites they can visit and appropriate behaviours.

The teachers can be contacted by email and these email addresses can be accessed through our school website www.leabank.school.nz, go to our "Our School" and "Our people" and click on email or see list below:

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Home Learning

Here are some free school websites that may be useful to assist you with your child's learning at home. We have no expectations as to how much you do. The most important thing is that you, your family, and your children are happy, because relationships come first. Children will be learning a lot in the activities they are engaged in outside of schoolwork. Be kind to everyone, including yourself. Please do as much or as little as you can manage or you would like to do.

www.studvladder.co.nz

Your child may already know their username and password. An alternative is for you to contact your child's teacher via email and ask them to send it to you. It is also free for parents to register and sign their child up.

www.sunshineonline.co.nz

Login : leabank
Password : leabank1

Stories and activities correspond to the students reading level. Stories are available for students to complete at their own pace.

https://www.storvlineonline.net

Storyline Online is available 24 hours a day for children, parents, caregivers and educators. Reading aloud to children has been shown to improve reading, writing and communication skills, logical thinking and concentration, and general academic aptitude, as well as inspire a lifelong love of reading.

https://www.abcya.com

Educational games for all levels. Activities will keep kids engaged and are fun. Topics include math, reading, typing, just-for-fun logic games and many more.

https://www.prodigygame.com/

Fun math practice for all levels. Content adapts to each player. Every major math topic - with more than 1500 skills embedded into the games.

https://www.storvlineonline.net

A children's literacy website, which provides free storytelling videos and resources for parents and teachers to foster a love of reading in children.

https://www.funbrain.com

#1 site for online educational games for kids of all ages. (math, grammar, science, spelling, history.

https://pbskids.org

Hang out with your favourite characters all while learning.

www.highlightskids.com

Read, play games and conduct cool science experiments.

www.switcherzoo.com

Watch, listen and play games to learn all about amazing animals.

Please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher via email if you have any questions. Keep safe, be kind to one another. We will get through this together.

Kindest regards

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Principal