Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Under Alert Level 3 the Government has said that if you need to send your child to school from Wednesday 29th April schools are physically open for students in Years 1-10.

However where possible, students should remain at home connected to distance learning or using learning packs from the Government and our school.

The Ministry has asked schools to contact families.

The key message for you is that if you can, you should keep your child at home. You should only physically send your child to school if you need to. If your child has a health condition that means they are at a greater risk of a severe illness you must keep them at home. If your child is sick please also ensure you keep them at home.

Should you be an essential worker who needs to send your child/ren to school, please reply to your class teacher's email with your contact details (address, email and phone number) so your child's teacher can talk to you regarding emergency contacts, pick up times, etc.

To continue social distancing as requested by the Ministry of Education for children attending school please note the following:

Your child will need to go straight to their classroom.

Your child will need to bring their own food - the school canteen will be closed.

The adventure playground is closed

The netball courts are closed

The fields are closed

The Library is closed

Family will not be allowed to visit school throughout the day

My child/ren will be attending school from Wednesday 29th April.

Students name: Address:

Email:

Phone number:

We look forward to hearing from you, be safe in your bubble and thank you for all that you are doing looking after your whanau and New Zealand in this challenging time.

Stay well, stay safe

John Shearer

#### **Principal**



#### Wednesday 15th April 2020

### Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Welcome to the most challenging start to Term Two we have experienced in our lifetimes. Being in a Level 4 lockdown situation is unprecedented and has changed the very way we live. I hope you are all safe and well in your bubble and have settled down into new routines at home.

Thank you for checking in on the Collegiate website and School App. If you haven't got School Apps you can down load it from the APPS centre or Google play. The link below will show you how you can do this onto you apple or android device.



### School App (nz)

https://snapp.acemlna.com/lt.php?s=11afd4e80dfa9776b40109b3151a5b11&i=327A 508A8A1199

We are also setting up a Junior School Facebook page and will put the link up shortly onto the Collegiate website. So we will have numerous ways of keeping in touch.

I know there are problems with home learning: access to the internet and a learning device may not be possible. However the Ministry has printed learning material off and sent packs home. So every child should have this. If these hard packs haven't arrived please contact us and we will see what has happened. There is also Education TV. Finally you can say to your child go and watch TV and get an educational benefit. This is on TV2+ and there is a timetable for year groups.

Thank you too for your help with information about learning devices and we have requested that the Ministry send all our families devices who need them. The Ministry can give me no indication of when you may receive learning devices and also the connection to the internet. However the hard packs should continue to support our children. The Ministry is still finding its way with these initiatives.

When you and your child are connected to the internet we are developing programmes on a platform called Class Dojo. This is a child friendly platform where learning activities can be set and your child's teacher can give your child feedback on progress. Teachers have already put a ton of good ideas and planning into this, but you will need a device connected to the internet for this to work- (hence the hard packs for now). Your child's teacher will be trying to keep in contact with you about this. If you have changed your cell phone number or address please let us know.

Thank you for your continued efforts to promote your child/children's learning. Please read stories, play games ask them to help you and use every day learning opportunities from around the house. Eg measurement when cooking, finding a bug in

the garden, looking at the night sky, creating a piece of art, growing a plant Excellent teachers look for learning in daily life and break learning into very small steps. Learners can then be guided. Find activities where you can successfully make learning fun and a positive experience. If a child doesn't want to learn something- ok, don't force it. Try something else later. Remember children will easily catch up the learning they may miss over this time.

Stay well, stay safe.

John Shearer

### <u>Principal</u>

Agnes can you put in the Ed TV guide

## Wednesday 15th April

### Parenting - Nathan Wallis

9:00 AM - 9:10 AM

Early Learning - Karen O'Leary

9:10 AM - 9:25 AM

Junior Health (Age 5-8)

9:25 AM - 9:40 AM

Junior Literacy (Age 5 -8)

9:40 AM - 9:55 AM Maia

the Brave

9:55 AM - 10:05 AM

Junior Te Reo

10:05 AM - 10:30 AM

Junior Science & Maths (Age 5-8)

10:30 AM - 10:50 AM Kai

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10:50 AM - 11:00 AM

Middle Literacy & Language (Age 9-11)

11:00 AM - 11:15 AM

Middle Maths (Age 9-11)

11:15 AM - 11:40 AM

Junior Project - Olivia Scott

11:40 AM - 12:05 PM

Fanimals

12:05 PM - 12:30 PM

Parenting - Nathan Wallis

12:30 PM - 12:40 PM

Aotearoa History

12:40 PM - 1:00 PM

INFORMATION: Prehistoric New Zealand The story of New Zealand and its people from its geological origins to modern day. In this part, Zealandia is fogged, volcances and ice ages make their mark and we ask what happened to our mammals.

Senior Literacy (Age 12 - 15)

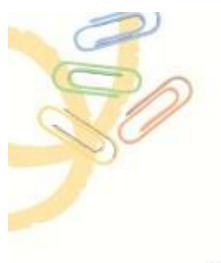
1:00 PM - 1:30 PM

Born to Move - Teens

1:30 PM - 1:55 PM

Senior Te Reo





1:55 PM - 2:25 PM

Senior Project (Age 12 - 15)

2:25 PM - 2:50 PM Daily Diary

2:50 PM - 3:00 PM

# Thursday 16th April

Parent Piece

9:00 AM - 9:10 AM

Early Learning with Karen O'Leary

9:10 AM - 9:25 AM

Junior Health (Age 5-8)

9:25 AM - 9:40 AM

Junior Literacy (Age 5 -8)

9:40 AM - 9:55 AM Maia the Brave

9:55 AM - 10:10 AM

Junior Te Reo

10:10 AM - 10:35 AM

Junior Science & Maths (Age 5-8)

10:35 AM - 10:55 AM Kai

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10:55 AM - 11:00 AM

Middle Literacy Series (Age 9-11)

11:00 AM - 11:15 AM

Middle Science (Age 9-11)

11:15 AM - 11:30 AM

Junior Project

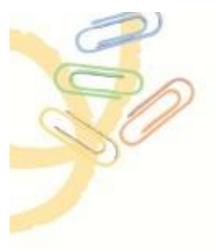
11:30 AM - 11:55 AM

Fanimals

11:55 AM - 12:20 PM

Parenting - Nathan Wallis







12:20 PM - 12:35 PM Agtearga History

12:35 PM - 12:50 PM

INFORMATION: Tangata Whenua in part two, Polynesian explorers reach new shores far to the south; a land unlike anything they had seen before. (5) a story of technological innovation, new horizons and becoming a new people.

Senior Science (Age 12 - 15)

12:50 PM - 1:05 PM

Senior Maths (Age 12 - 15)

1:05 PM - 1:25 PM

Senior Health (Age 12 - 15)

1:25 PM - 1:50 PM Senior

Te Reo

1:50 PM - 2:20 PM

Senior Project (Age 12 - 15)

2:20 PM - 2:45 PM Daily Diary

2:45 PM - 3:00 PM

### Friday 17th April

Parenting - Nathan Wallis

9:00 AM - 9:10 AM

Early Learning with Karen O'Leary

9:10 AM - 9:25 AM

Junior Health (Age 5-8)

9:25 AM - 9:40 AM

Junior Literacy (Age 5-8) With Monique Cox-Timmer

9:40 AM - 9:55 AM Maia the Brave

9:55 AM - 10:05 AM

Junior Te Reo

10:05 AM - 10:30 AM

Junior Science & Maths (Age 5-8)



10:30 AM - 10:50 AM Kai Eixe

10:50 AM - 11:00 AM

### Middle Literacy and Language (Age 9-11)

11:00 AM - 11:15 AM

Middle Maths (Age 9-11)

11:15 AM - 11:40 AM Junior Project

11:40 AM - 12:05 PM

Fanimals

12:05 PM - 12:30 PM

Parenting - Nathan Wallis

12:30 PM - 12:40 PM

Aotearoa History

12:40 PM - 1:00 PM

INFORMATION: Early Encounters In part three, Tasman and then Cook visit and before long Europeans come to stay. Muskets, missionaries and international trade change the country as two cultures seek to make sense of each other.

Senior Literacy (Age 12 - 15)

1:00 PM - 1:30 PM

Senior Health - Les Mills Born to Move

1:30 PM - 1:55 PM Senior

Te Reo

1:55 PM - 2:25 PM

Senior Project (Age 12 - 15)

2:25 PM - 2:50 PM Daily

Diary

2:50 PM - 3:00 PM





Tuesday 24 March 2020

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Following the recent announcement by the New Zealand Government, we are implementing Covid-19 Level 3 which will move to Level 4 by the end of Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March. We appreciate this is a sudden and significant change, and will be heavily disruptive to many people in our community. Schools are now closed for the next 4 weeks.

- · Term 1 now ENDS Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2020
- Monday 30 March Tuesday 14 April is the two week holiday break
  Term 2 STARTS Wednesday 15 April but we will all still be at home under
  Level 4 Alert.

Teachers will use distance/online learning where possible and learning packs have also been provided for students as well. We have tried to get these packs home to you with your child but the suddenness of the increase to Level 4 means some packs are still at school. These will be available at the front desk till 3pm Wednesday. We will also try and deliver these to homes as well.

If the Level 4 Alert continues into Term II we will continue with online learning/distancing learning.

Your child will be looking to you for guidance about what is happening. Parents, caregivers, whānau and teachers will have a particularly important part to play in reassuring children at this time. If you haven't already done so, you may wish to read the information put together by the Ministry of Education to support your conversations with your children – Talking to children about COVID-19

The main message for us is to stay calm and stay at home and help prevent the spread of the virus. We will continue to be in contact. I wish us all every peace and blessing in this challenging time.

Nga mihi,

John Shearer

**Principal**