

Leabank Primary School



HE AKONGA MUTUNGA KORE

Newsletter

for

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Greetings, Tena koutou, Kia orana, Talofa Lava, Fakalofa Lahi Atu, Ni hao, Malo e Lelei, Namaste, Ni hao, Xin chao, Hola

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Term 1 - Week 7

WALK TO SCHOOL DAY 2020

Auckland Transport launched a 'Walk to School Day' on Wednesday 18th March. It was great to see Parents and children take on the challenge to become more active by walking to and from school today. Leaf Tickets were handed out to the students that "Walked to school" on Wednesday by our travelwise team. All tickets go in to a draw to win one of 6 prizes. We congratulate the following children for winning these prizes.

Name	Room
<i>Lia-Larena lese</i>	9
<i>Roxanne Toia</i>	9
<i>Deziyah Manarangi-Thompson</i>	11
<i>Dezire-Haze Nansen</i>	12
<i>Zohail Hassan</i>	16
<i>Je-Zela Gilbert</i>	17



COLOUR YOUR DAY

Today we held a "Colour your day" mufti day with a gold coin donation to support "St John Ambulance" and also commemorate the 1 year anniversary of the March 15th 2019 tragedy. Students came to school wearing colourful clothing. We raised a total of \$300 for St John.



The funds raised will ensure St John has the training and equipment needed to respond in an emergency. We would like to acknowledge and thank everyone for supporting a great cause.

COVID-19 UPDATE



With so much information and misinformation swirling around about COVID-19, I wanted to share with you what will happen if we were to have a case in our school community. We have been planning for this and are in a position to respond quickly.

- As soon as a case is confirmed in our immediate school community (eg. a student, staff member, or member of their household), the Medical Officer of Health and Ministry of Education will inform me about this, and we will work together to get quick and clear messaging out to you
- If there was a case confirmed of someone in our school, we will likely be asked to close temporarily by the Medical Officer of Health. This will allow time for close contacts to be traced, appropriate testing to be undertaken, and a careful clean of the school to be undertaken.
- If our school does need to close temporarily, we have a plan in place to support student's learning.

We know COVID-19 feels scary and of course people are concerned for the wellbeing of our children. Please be assured that with no case confirmed in our school, your children are safe here. Good hygiene is a priority at our school, and we are reinforcing this regularly with all students and staff. We know that practicing good hygiene is still the best thing we can all do to prevent illness. We are getting the most up to date advice and guidance so that we can confidently make informed decisions about the safety and wellbeing of our school community.

WHEN IS SICK, SICK?

The messaging remains clear – that if you are feeling unwell please stay home, and the same goes for children and young people. However at the tail end of a cold, there will be runny noses and probably some coughing. This might be worrying for some people who are being vigilant about their own and others' health. A diagram has been developed by *Dr Siouxsie Wiles* to assist you when considering symptoms (sent to us by a teacher who found it useful). What it tells us is:

- A dry cough and a high temperature are common to both flu and COVID-19
- Sneezing is **NOT** a symptom of COVID-19, however if someone **HAS** COVID-19, then sneezing can spread droplets containing the virus

SYMPTOMS OF COVID-19, FLU AND COLD

	DRY COUGH	FEVER	RUNNY NOSE	SORE THROAT	BREATH-LESSNESS	HEADACHE	BODY ACHES	SNEEZE	FATIGUE	DIARRHOEA
COVID -19	✓✓✓	✓✓✓	~	✓✓	✓✓	✓✓	✓✓	✗	✓✓	~
FLU	✓✓✓	✓✓✓	✓✓	✓✓	✗	✓✓✓	✓✓✓	✗	✓✓✓	✓✓
COLD	✓	~	✓✓✓	✓✓✓	✗	~	✓✓✓	✓✓✓	✓✓	✗

✓✓✓ FREQUENTLY
✓✓ SOMETIMES
✓ LITTLE
~ RARE
✗ NOT

@SIOUXSIEW @XTOTL thespinoff.co.nz

SOURCE: WHO, CDC CC-BY-SA

RULES ON GATHERINGS DO NOT APPLY TO SCHOOLS

You may have seen today that the Government has announced that indoor gatherings of more than 100 people are to be cancelled. This does not apply to schools, early learning services, tertiary providers, workplaces, supermarkets or public transport. We will continue to provide you with guidance around events and gatherings that could be relevant to schools.

Yours sincerely

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Protect
yourself and others against
COVID-19

Cover your coughs or sneezes with tissues or your elbow

Put your used tissue in the rubbish bin or in a plastic bag

Wash and dry your hands often, especially after coughing or sneezing – use soap or hand sanitiser

Stay away from others if you're unwell

COVID-19 HEALTH ADVICE
0800 358 5453

health.govt.nz/COVID-19
Protect your family/whānau from COVID-19 (coronavirus)

New Zealand Government

Free warm clothes available to families as winter is heading our way. We also have free soap to give out to families. Come into the community centre.



Supporting success in your school.

If you're a parent, staff member or member of the school community and you take out a new ASB home loan of \$250,000 or more, ASB will donate \$500 to your chosen participating school.

\$500

ASB's lending criteria and terms apply. Fees may apply.
Eligibility criteria - Documentation of the facility agreement must be done by 30 June 2020.
For this promotion to apply, you must make mention of it during the home loan application.
Only applies to loans which are secured by residential owner-occupied property with a minimum of 20% equity. The offer is limited to one donation per new home loan. The donation will be made to the chosen school on complete draw-down of the home loan. Excludes lending through brokers. Full eligibility criteria, exclusions, terms and conditions are available at asb.co.nz/promotions/supporting-success-in-your-school.html

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