

## PUHINUI SCHOOL Covid Level 4 Newsletter



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Kia ora Whānau,

Welcome, Nau mai, Haere mai! hello, As-salām 'alaykum, Namaste, Nǐ hǎo, Chào bạn, Musta, Noa'ia, Hola, Mauri, Ni sa bula vinaka, Fakaalofa lahi atu, Tālofa, Mālō e lelei, Mālō nī, Talofa lava, and Kia orana.

**TE WIKI O TE REO MĀORI:** Ehuri tō aroaro ki te rā, tukuna tō atārangi ki muri ia koe (turn and face the sun and let your shadow fall behind you).

This lovely Māori saying reminds us to live in the now, look ahead positively, and put the issues we face behind us.

**LOOKING TOWARD ALERT LEVEL 3:** Updates for the coming Week 9 starting from Monday 19th September. Although it is not certain, we have had an indication that we can plan to move to Alert Level 3 next week. As mentioned in the last covid newsletter, we have made preparations for Alert Level 3 bubble school.

A reminder bubble schooling is only for students of essential workers who do not have someone at home to care for their child. We typically have had between 10 and 20 students for bubble school at Alert Level 3 in the past. Using our previous experience we have tentatively planned around similar numbers.

To help us prepare for bubble school, on Monday, 20th September an email will be sent out to all parents who are intending to send their child/children to school at Alert Level 3. This will help us make sure we are on track for the student numbers that will attend. Our staff will continue to focus on our digital online learning from home for the majority of our students. This will continue until we eventually go to Alert Level 2.

At Alert Level 2, all staff and students are expected to be back at school, (apart from those who are sick, have medical conditions, or have been directed to isolate at home).

**NEW ONLINE LEARNING REMINDER**: On Monday please visit the Puhinui Website <u>https://www.puhinui.school.nz/</u> for the new learning for Week 9. A reminder to also check out the Ministry of Education (MOE) online learning from home website <u>https://learningfromhome.govt.nz/resources</u>.

**HOME INTERNET CONNECTIONS:** After working with secondary schools in COVID-19 priority regions, the Ministry of Education now has approval to extend their proactive connectivity project to all schools/kura nationwide. Once we are at Alert Level 2 we will be sending home a letter to whānau to see who does not have internet connectivity in their homes. MOE will provide an internet modem for these families free of charge.

<u>GETTING VACCINATED</u>: Auckland Airport and other major New Zealand businesses are supporting a campaign to get Auckland vaccinated against COVID-19 – and our school can benefit too.

Anyone who gets vaccinated at the Auckland Airport Park & Ride site can vote for our school to go into a draw to win a \$10,000 cash grant and \$10,000 of stationery from Warehouse Stationery. Plus, there's daily prizes of smart phones, mobile devices, whiteware appliances and more up for grabs.

A further \$5,000 is available to a South Auckland community organisation, including a school, for the best social media campaign promoting vaccination using the hashtag #vax4AKL.

For more information on the Park & Ride opening times, protocols, and competition details here: *www.doingitforeachother.nz* 

## Please see a helpful list of food bank services available in our community below:

	1pm.	Referral Form
Waka of Caring	Food parcels, meals, Christmas presents, clothing, blankets and kitchenware. Pick up from 2/14 Mcannalley Street Manurewa.	www.facebook.com/groups/978559512159944
<u>Budgeting &amp; Family Support</u> Services. Mangere Otara & Tuakau	Food parcels and face masks available at Mangere and Tuakau. Please call first to request, bring ID and proof of address. Second and subsequent requests for food parcels will need letter from WINZ confirming they are still experiencing hardship.	Mangere - 09 275 2266 Tuakau - 09 236 9804
St Vincent de Paul	Food bank and food parcels. Pick up from 47 Station Road, Otahuhu. Open Mon, Wed and Fri, 9.30am-12.30pm. No need to call first, but bring ID. Referrers are also able to email manager and pick up orders on clients' behalf.	09 270 4088 manager@stvinnieotahuhu.org.nz
LIFE Community Kitchens Updated	Cooked meals from a number of locations, including Otara, Manurewa, Glen Innes, Papakura, and Mangere. See Facebook for details.	www.facebook.com/lifecommunitykitchens/
<u>The Otara Kai Village</u>	Food and cooked meals for people living in Otara and Papatoetoe regions. No registration needed, pick up from 120 East Tamaki Road, Otara. Subject to availability, see Facebook or view website for more information.	www.facebook.com/TheOtaraVillage www.otarakaivillage.co.nz/okv-schedule.html
South Auckland Christian Food Bank	Community dinners and food parcel delivery.	0508 242 643
<u>Citizens Advice Bureau Pakuranga</u>	Food bank and general assistance for Pakuranga, Howick and Flat Bush. Connect people to a number of churches and community organisations, and also provide budgeting advice. Call Citizens Advice Bureau first for referral.	09 576 8331
Takanini Gurdwara (Suprime Sikh Society of New Zealand) <i>Updated</i>	Help individuals who are struggling to buy food. Contact by phone, email or Facebook.	09 296 2376 (Alternatively call 021 803 512 or 09 215 4647) supremesikhsocietynz@gmail.com www.facebook.com/TakaniniGurdwara/
<u>Shanti Niwas</u>	Provide social support services to senior citizens of Indian and South Asian origin. Services include vegetarian meals on wheels, grocery and prescription medicine delivery, face-to-face and	09 622 1010 www.facebook.com/snct.newzealand/

Name	Community	Contact
Salvation Army - Manukau	Food bank and food parcels. Contact call centre Mon-Fri 10am-	09 262 2332 for Manukau Community Ministry
<u>Community Ministry</u>	12pm and 1pm-3pm and leave name and number and they will call back. Pick up only by appointment.	or 0800 53 00 00 for local ministry manukau.cm@salvationarmy.org.nz
Affirming Works <u>NEW</u>	Food parcels for families needing support. Open to all, families are asked to do a brief (5 minute) registration. Pick up from 9 Moa Street, Otahuhu. Call if you have any queries.	0800 0AFFIRM
<u>MUMA, Manukau Urban Maori</u> <u>Authority</u>	Food parcels. Pick up from 31 Calthorp Close, Favona. If you live in Mangere, Otara, Otahuhu, Papatoetoe and Manukau, please call between 10am and 2pm to book an appointment.	0800 686 232
Papakura Marae	Food Parcels available to Papakura and surrounding areas. Open Monday to Friday. Phone between 9am-11am to complete an assessment. Pick up from 29 Hunua Rd, Papakura 1pm-3pm providing ID and proof of address.	0800 8262 7454
Rawiri Community House	Food parcels and other free resources. Register first using online referral form. Pick up from 1 Rata Vine Drive, Wiri. Wed-Fri 10am-	<u>liz@rawiri.org</u> www.facebook.com/rawiri.org/
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WeCare.Kiwi	Volunteer support network for anyone who is vulnerable, living	0800 777 797
	alone, or caring for others can request check-ins or practical help.	https://wecare.kiwi/get-help/
	Register online. Low cost food delivery service available.	
Southseas Healthcare Trust	Food support to enrolled population and church groups in South	027 381 2317
	Auckland. Pick up only from 14 Fair Mall, Shop 9-12 Otara.	
The Fono Feleoko Food-Hubs	Food bank for available for current clients only. Call or send	0800 FONO 4U
	Facebook message.	www.facebook.com/thefonohealth/

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## FURTHER SUPPORT FOR WHĀNAU:

- Student Volunteer Army <u>https://shop.sva.org.nz/</u> This is help with receiving groceries delivered to your door.
- Foodbank NZ Phone: 022 045 8184
- info@foodbank.co.nz<mailto:info@foodbank.co.nz>
- www.foodbank.org.nz<http://www.foodbank.org.nz>
- Women's Refuge 0800REFUGE or 0800 733 843
- Oranga Tamariki call centre 0508FAMILY
- Lifeline 0800 543 354 or free text 4357
- Youthline 0800 376 633 or free text 234
- Depression Helpline 0800 111 757
- Counselling Free Call or Text 1737
- Healthline for COVID-19 health advice: 0800 358 5453