

Monday, 18th of October 2021

Dear Tahuna School families,

Firstly, I would like to thank you for the positive response to our communication about having your child/children at home today to do distance learning. Your response clearly shows your support for our children, staff and community during this tricky time.

Due to the most recent alert level decision at 4pm today that parts of Waikato remain at Level 3 means we will continue distance learning until Friday and the Board will prepare the next steps for Tahuna School in accordance with advice from the Ministry of Health and Ministry of Education.

**Again we strongly encourage families who are able to supervise their child/ren to remain at home while parts of Waikato are at AL3 and do distance learning.** To those who did require supervision at school today we will contact you to see if this is still the case as we only have a small capacity for supervision. If your child does now require supervision for the remainder of the week and you did not indicate this on the SchoolStream form, please contact your child's teacher or email Mr Otto at [principal@tahunaschool.school.nz](mailto:principal@tahunaschool.school.nz) or reply on school stream.

**All children who reside in AL3 need to remain at home and do distance learning until their place of residence is back in AL2.**

Your child's teacher will post their class work via email and Seesaw for Tuesday and Thursday and we will have Learning challenges for Wednesday and Friday. We hope our children enjoyed today's fitness and obstacle course challenge.

Again we don't take this decision lightly but we believe out of the best interest of safety for our children, staff and community and MOH/MOE advise we need to do this.

At this stage, Livestock Day will be postponed until next week. We will keep in touch with future developments.

Thanks for your support, patience and understanding during this tricky situation. We hope that advice from MOH/MOE will help us make informed decisions moving forward.

We will keep you updated as soon as we can.

Phillip Otto