

24 March 2020

Kia ora Parents and Caregivers

With yesterdays' announcement by the Government, we are implementing our Remote Learning Package. We appreciate this is a sudden and significant change, and will be heavily disruptive to many people in our community.

For children of essential workers, we look forward to seeing your child here at school today and tomorrow (Tuesday 24th and Wednesday 25th March).

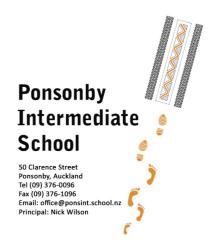
You may wish to check if you are considered an essential worker — https://covid19.govt.nz/government-actions/covid-19-alert-system/

For all other children, we will be supporting their learning from your home in the following ways:

- through our Remote Learning Package and Google Classroom
 We have attached an instruction sheet if you are a Google Classroom beginner.
- Our hard copy packs are outside the school office there is a Year 7 pack and a Year 8 pack available
- We have also added a timetable of the next five weeks that you may find useful.
 Please note that the Government has made an alteration to the dates for the School Holidays.

A Message from the Guidance Coordinator

We are all facing uncertainty at the moment, and there is a feeling of anxiety amongst our community. This is very real with being in lock down, potential job/financial uncertainty and having loved ones who are vulnerable amongst other effects (Coparenting, and much more) . The Parenting Place has put some good resources



together on navigating your whanau through this difficult time. Take care out there, and let's look after each other.

See the link for resources on tips on how to manage disapointment, surviving isolation, and bringing the calm in this panicked environment.

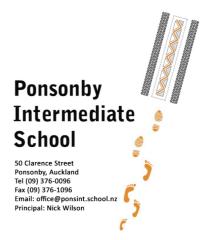
https://www.theparentingplace.com/health-wellness/

This website gives very handy tips on how to talk about COVID-19

https://childmind.org/article/talking-to-kids-about-the-

coronavirus/?utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_content=READ%20MORE& utm_campaign=Weekly-03-16-20

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
23 March	24 March 'Essential Worker' Students Only Google Classroom Password - bewlshx	25 March 'Essential Worker' Students Only Google Classroom Password - bewlshx	26 March School Closed Google Classroom Password - bewishx	27 March School Closed Google Classroom Password - bewishx
30 March Holidays Begin	31 March Holidays	1 April Holidays	2 April Holidays	3 April Holidays
6 April Holidays	7 April Holidays	8 April Holidays	9 April Holidays	10 April Easter Friday
13 April Easter Monday	14 April Easter Tuesday	15 April Term 2 Begins Remote Teaching Begins Actual School Campus is Closed	16 April Remote Teaching	17 April Remote Teaching
20 April Remote Teaching	21 April Remote Teaching	22 April Remote Teaching	23 April Remote Teaching	24 April Remote Teaching



Take care and stay safe

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