

The Rise UP Academy Newsletter

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Rise UP Update on COVID-19

Kia ora Koutou

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 (e.g. 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.

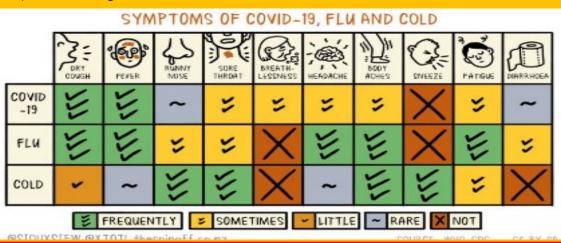
We know COVID-19 feels scary and of course people are concerned for the wellbeing of our children. Please be assured that with no case confirmed in our school, your children are safe here. Good hygiene is a priority at our school, and we are reinforcing this regularly with all students and staff. We 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.

Ngā mihi

Sita Selupe

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



WELCOME TO Term One, 2020

Curriculum Area Focus: Social Science

This term our Inquiry learning is about 'Everyone Belongs'.

The children will be exploring their new classroom/school environment spaces. They will also look at their new community and the facilities that are placed around Mangere. It will also entail that even though we have 2 schools on the one property, we can still belong as one whanau, one community where 'Everyone Belongs'.

SCHOOL TIMES

8.15am- Gate is open for students
8.30am- 1st bell rings (get ready for learning
e.g. pencils sharpened, bottles filled, toilet
stop)

8.45am- 2nd bell, School Starts and its Focussed learning time 10.50-11.30 Morning Tea 1.00-1.40 Lunch time 3.00 School Ends 3.15-4.30 After School Programme (Mon—Wed)

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'School Uniform, sun hats & drink bottles'

We have noticed that there are some non-school uniform clothes being worn by our students such as hoodies, jeans

and non black shoes. Notes will be sent home for those who attend



school in non regulation uniform. We've also had some wet weather so please make sure your children bring a jacket or umbrella as it is a short distance from the carpark to their classroom. We appreciate your support in this area. The NZ sun regardless if it is overcast can still hurt our children while they play outside so please ensure your child brings a hat and drink bottle to school



HEALTHY LUNCHES - SHARP MINDS, STRONG BODIES & GOOD HEARTS.

Thank you parents for providing healthy lunches in your child's school lunches. We have been seeing lots of fruits and healthy sandwiches in their lunch boxes





SCHOOLJERSEYS NOW IN STOCK

Earlier this term we had a few parents wanting to buy school jerseys for their children. You can do this by bringing the exact amount to the office OR paying online

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Once you make online payment please screenshot the payment as proof of purchase to admin@riseuptrust.org.nz

IMPORTANT DATES FOR TERM 1

Wednesdays - Hearts & Minds 6.15—8.30pm
Thursday 2nd April - HOUSE Competition
Thursday 2nd April - BOT Meeting, 6pm
Tuesday 7th April - Hearts & Minds DADS WORKSHOP

Wednesday 8th April - Last Day of School

HOUSE COLOURED T-SHIRTS

This year your child/ren are needing a change of P.E uniform when they are playing outside for sports and during the After School Programmes. Your child has been allocated a House Team (view list on newsletter) to what plain coloured t-shirt you would need to purchase from any local Kmart, Warehouse, or any local store. It is important that the children do have a change of clothing for hygiene purposes. Thank you



AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAMME IMPORTANT NOTICE:

Due to COVID-19 precautions there will be <u>NO After School Programmed Activities on Monday</u> and <u>Tuesday starting next week</u>. Children will only have to attend the SUPA programme on Wednesdays and reminder pick up time will be 4.30pm. Please remember your child/ren will need to have his/her own labelled water bottle, Fa'afetai.

WHANAU NOTICES

HEARTS & MINDS:

Hearts & Minds -We have two more sessions of our Hearts & Minds programme so feel free to join in if you would like a refresher on Children problem solving-Inquiry Learning.

Hearts & Minds Programme topics

25.03	Children Problem solving
01.04	Culture & Education

HEARTS & MINDS WORKSHOP FOR DADS



LOVE LANGUAGES

Invitation open to all men Facilitated by Joe Seniloli & Andrew Letiu

Date & Venue	Tuesday 7th April
	6.15pm-8.30pm
	Rise UP Academy
	Town Court Close
	Co-located on Sir Douglas Bader
	Intermediate

Organize your babysitters as there will be no babysitter available. For registrations see Andrew or email andrew.l@riseuptrust.org.nz

Active Families

Active Families is a (12 week) programme which aims to empower parents to be their child's Health & Wellbeing coach in Manukau. The programme includes 10 Wise Kai Nutrition tips, cooking demonstrations and physical activity. At the end of each term families also go on family fun excursions such as rock climbing etc. Parents you are more than welcome to start in Term 2 as well.

Venue: Onehunga Mangere Soccer and Softball Club, Mangere Mountain. Head up Domain Road off Coronation Road, Mangere Bridge.

Time: Thursdays 4pm -6pm

COMPUTER IN HOMES:

There will be changes to the delivery of the Computer In Homes programme in which it will be facilitated as an online course until further notice. There will be an initial face to face meeting to set up all the parents on Chromebooks with the online learning. Please parents the payment of the \$60 for Chromebook needs to be paid into The Rise UP Academy school account, details below.

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Reference - COMPUTERSINHOMES

Code - NAME SURNAME

There will be only one face to face meeting for the workshop and this is to help set everyone up with the online learning. **Monday 30th March 5.30pm Rise UP Academy**

Please parents if you have registered in this workshop we need to know if you have internet connection at home as well to complete the workshop online.

GOOD TO GO VOLUNTEER ARM

Thank you to all our parent volunteers who have helped with the After School Swimming Programme. It was great to see so many of you spread out across Otahuhu Pools keeping our children safe. It is unfortunate that we had to end our programme abruptly due to the COVID-19 precautions but prevention is always better than cure.

Thank you to Celia MacGregor who still came to help out with supervision at school on Tuesday where we had outdoor sports, our children were very impressed with her TAG SKILLS and all wanted to be on Mrs MacGregor's team. If you are free on a Tuesday afternoon and wanting to clock up those volunteer hours feel free to come join us with the after school programme.



Whanau devotions:

Devotion topic: Everyone Belongs

Scripture for the term:

1 Corinthians 13:4-7

Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

Scripture for the week:

Learning Intention:

We are learning how to have a sense of belonging in our classrooms.

Success criteria:

I speak to others in an appropriate tone (voice)

I am patient and use my manners

I tell someone when they are not treating me the way I like.

Prayer requests:

- For our board, teachers & whanau to trust in God and continue to have faith at this time
- God's supernatural protection over us all at this time
- Staff & whanau well-being
- Teaching & learning programmes for our focus students

Praise be to our God for answered prayer!

