

# NEWSLETTER WEEK 8, TERM 1 2022

Kia ora koutou katoa,

It has certainly been a crazy few weeks for many of us here at school. I hope that this finds our school whānau well, including those who are continuing to isolate. We are very slowly seeing students and staff return to school and I know that we are looking forward to things returning to some kind of normality.

There have been so many people who have helped during these ever-changing and sometimes uncertain times. I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate all of our students on their resilience and flexibility during the last few weeks. For many of them, they have been in combined classes and with different teachers but it was wonderful to see them adjust and enjoy their time with others. I would also like to thank our staff for their amazing support and commitment over this time and the care they have shown to our tamariki and their families. Lastly, I would like to thank our parent community for all of your support and understanding. Dyer Street really is a wonderful school and it is at times like these that we see just how special it is.

Parent conferences were postponed due to staff absences. These are now next Tuesday and our second night is Thursday 7th April. You are able to book these through Skool Loop. You may come in person to your interview or you do have the option to have a zoom meeting if you would prefer to go online. The interview times show a 20-minute time slot but please be aware they will be 15 minute times, allowing teachers a 5-minute slot to prepare for their next interview. A reminder slip with the date and time will be sent home this week for those who have an interview next Tuesday.

Have a wonderful week.

Michelle Pilcher  
Acting Principal

## Reminders

Sun hats are to be worn in Term 1

Kapura lunches are provided at school. Please send along snacks for food break times.

## Dates to remember:

Monday 28 March - Build and Play trailer arrives  
Tuesday 29 March – Learning conversations  
5th - 7th April - Trips to Dowse and Library  
Thursday 7 April – Learning conversations

### DATES FOR 2022:

TERM 1: 2nd February - 14th April  
TERM 2: 2nd May - 8th July  
TERM 3: 25th July - 30 September  
TERM 4: 17th October - 15th December



## Welcome new students and their families

Titokowaru

Iritana

We hope you enjoy your time at our school.

Remember to use Seesaw to check for messages from your child's teacher!

Log on to Skool Loop for all the information you need. If your child is away, you can also mark this on Skool Loop. If you have any problems, please let us know.





### Our LEARN value for this week:

Each week at school we are focusing on one of our school LEARN values. Teachers will be talking about them in class and we will share them here in the notices and also on our Facebook page so that you can discuss what they look like at home if you would like to.

**Aroha/Respect:** Our whakataukī this week really captures the last few weeks here at DSS. There have been many ways that our community has shown love and care to each other. Food deliveries, care packages, and words of kindness have been in abundance over the last few weeks.

### Whakataukī o te wiki:

**Aroha Atu, Aroha Mai**  
**Love received, Love returned**

THE COVID-19 ISOLATION CLOCK	HOW THE COVID-19 ISOLATION CLOCK WORKS FOR A WHĀNAU (*HOUSEHOLD):
<b>DAY 0</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>COVID positive case must isolate for 10 days.</li><li>Household contacts must also isolate for 10 days. They must also take a RATs test on day 3 and day 10.</li></ul> <p>Anyone who tests positive does not need to be tested again.</p>	<b>DAY 0 - A PERSON IN YOUR WHĀNAU TESTS POSITIVE FOR COVID-19</b>  <p>Original (O.G.) COVID case and your whole whānau go into isolation together for 10 days.</p>
<b>DAY 3</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>All household contacts take a day 3 RATs test.</li><li>Anyone who tests positive becomes a positive case and their 10 day isolation clock will restart.</li><li>Anyone who tests negative will continue to isolate for another 7 days.</li></ul>	<b>DAY 3 - A SECOND PERSON IN YOUR WHĀNAU TESTS POSITIVE FOR COVID-19</b>  <p>New COVID-19 positive case goes back to Day 0 and restarts their own 10 day isolation clock.</p> <p>The O.G. COVID case and the rest of your whānau continues on the O.G. isolation clock.</p>
<b>DAY 10</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>All household contacts take a day 10 RATs test.</li><li>If all tests are negative and the O.G. COVID case has no symptoms, everyone on O.G. isolation clock can be released from isolation.</li></ul> <p>Isolation ends at the end of Day 10 (11.59pm).</p>	<b>DAY 10 - EVERYONE IN YOUR WHĀNAU EXCEPT COVID POSITIVE PEOPLE GET TESTED</b>  <p>All tests are negative and you have no symptoms. Everyone on O.G. isolation clock is released from isolation at the end of day 10 (11.59pm).</p>
<b>ONGOING ISOLATION</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Ongoing isolation for household contacts who test positive after O.G. case.</li></ul> <p>Isolation clock is different from O.G. COVID case.</p>	<b>ONGOING ISOLATION FOR ANYONE WHO TESTS POSITIVE AFTER O.G. COVID CASE</b>  <p>2nd COVID positive case remains in isolation and continues with their own isolation clock.</p> <p>The rest of your whānau should continue to watch for symptoms and get tested if they feel sick.</p>

We have some exciting Education Outside the Classroom opportunities coming up for our students towards the end of term.

We are hosting the Build & Play 2.0 trailer from the Hutt City Council from next week. This gives our children the chance to experiment with building using real tools! We will be asking for adult supervisors for the sessions - session times to be advised soon.

We will also have a school trip for all students to the Douse Art Museum and the War Memorial Library in week 10 (5th, 6th or 7th of March for different groups) and will be asking for a few parent helpers.

Keep an eye out for a notice on Skool Loop about both of these soon!