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TERM 2 – UPDATE 2

Kia Ora Koutou

Welcome to day one of Term 2. This morning I tuned into the TVNZ Home Learning channel at 9.00am and listened to Nathan Wallis share about parenting during home learning. [This is the link to the daily schedule.](#) I understand he's going to be giving a parent tip each day so tune in at 9.00am each morning to see if any of his messages help you and your household too. I found it helpful myself this morning.

A couple of things from the Ministry of Education for you to consider:

Free Internet Safety Filter For Parents

While children are learning from home, they are away from the online safety and security services provided by Network for Learning (N4L) at school. So together with N4L and Netsafe, the Ministry of Education have launched www.switchonsafety.co.nz - a free way to block the worst of the web for students and teachers.

Follow the instructions to set up your child's device for safer connectivity while they learn from home. Remember, no technical solution is a silver bullet. Please complement this with digital citizenship toolkits provided by Netsafe.

Netsafe

Netsafe provides comprehensive support and information to support everyone to stay safe as they work, learn and play online. Netsafe has new and updated resources for parents, whānau and students at

<https://www.netsafe.org.nz/advice/staying-safe/>

The Connected Learning Advisory

Help desk support is available for teachers, kaiako, leaders, tumuaki, parents and whānau from early learning through to secondary in English medium and Māori medium settings. You can phone the Learning from Home helpdesk on 0800 700 401 and Ki Te Ao Marama on 0508 294 462 between 8 am and 5 pm on business days.

Wellbeing For All

Alongside priorities for learning, we are also mindful of the need to support wellbeing of students and you as whanau. This link has been sent from the Ministry of Education and is worth checking out:

<http://education.govt.nz/school/health-safety-and-wellbeing/pastoral-care-and-wellbeing/talking-to-children-about-covid-19-coronavirus/>

From overseas, this [25 Mental Health Wellness Tips during Quarantine from Eileen M Feliciano, Psy.D.](#) is a good list and highlights some things particularly important for children. Remember the rules of New Zealand's level 4 lockdown still apply.

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