



**Ako ki te Haere – Haere ki to Ako  
Learn to Journey – Journey to Learn**

**Kindness - Atawhai • Excellence - Hiranga • Respect - Whakaute • Integrity - Ngākau pono**

### **Mission Statement**

“To actively prepare each child to take responsibility for their own life-long learning, values and behaviour, in partnership with the home and community.”

## **Silverdale School Board/Poari NEWSLETTER**

**1<sup>st</sup> September 2021**

Dear Parents, Caregivers, Students and Staff,

Once again, we are in an unsettling time for everyone as New Zealand's response to COVID-19 continues to rapidly evolve. We want to thank you for your ongoing support of our school community as we collectively navigate these events as we enter a further 2 weeks of lockdown in Level 4.

The Board and our Principal Cameron Lockie receive daily updates from the Ministry of Education and the New Zealand School Trustees Association. We are closely following recommendations via these official channels and Cameron is working closely with his leadership team to ensure a proactive and responsive approach to the changing situation.

We wish to reiterate everything that our Principal Cameron Lockie has implemented into our school. The school will:

- Continue to follow official Ministry of Education and Ministry of Health advice
- Engage in continuous risk assessment for all school activities and events
- Keep the school community updated via the website, school app and emails
- Promptly advise of any changes to advice from the Ministry of Education
- Remind staff and children regarding hand washing and hygiene practices
- Respond to any issues with soap in bathrooms as soon as they become known

**Keeping informed and up to date** – please see the below websites for up-to-date information:

- Ministry of Health: <https://www.health.govt.nz/>
- Ministry of Education: <https://www.education.govt.nz/novel-coronavirus-2019-ncov-3/>
- Auckland Regional Public Health Service: <https://www.arphs.health.nz/>
- New Zealand Government website: <https://covid19.govt.nz/>

It is at times like these when communities need to pull together. We are very fortunate to have a school community that are known for pulling together and sharing kindness at times like these and we would like to thank you for your ongoing support. We would also like to acknowledge all our staff for everything they do, and are doing, for our school and our young people in these extraordinary times.

Please take care of yourselves.

Noho ora mai,

Silverdale School Board