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*Dear Parents and Guardians,*

*From our home to your home, we do hope this finds everyone well and enjoying some family leisure time. Recently, one of our staff had a movie and games night in the lounge with the children and slept the night camping there. Creativity and communication are so important at this time.*

*We encourage you to take some time away from the constant news cycle and social media postings about the virus. However, balance becomes even more important in times such as these. It's important to give our minds and bodies what they need to stay healthy – good food, plenty of sleep, fun, exercise, mindfulness, music, relaxation, reading, nature, laughter, space, gratitude – whatever works for you! ([Health.govt.nz](http://Health.govt.nz)).*

### **Supporting learning from home.**

*These are challenging times and we know you have been working hard and fast to support your learners at home while schools are closed. We are so proud of what the students have been doing and as the Principal of BBI, I am also very proud of our staff. We have tried to continue the momentum of our units of inquiry as well as Mathematics and Literacy programmes. Thank you to the parents who have sent words of encouragement, this means so much.*

*To keep up to date with additional learning opportunities then please refer to our website. Here you will see the link to your child's team site. There are plenty of extension activities should students wish to challenge themselves. Our specialist team are available should parents or guardians run out of ideas.  
[www.bbi.school.nz](http://www.bbi.school.nz)*

*From Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> April the teaching staff will share their last google hangout, meet or zoom and step back from day to day teaching. This moves into the holiday break until Tuesday 28 April. During this time, our staff will be finishing assessments and planning their units of inquiry for the up and coming term.*

*Currently, the COVID-19 Alert Level 4 is due to remain in place until Thursday 23 April. For all Covid-19 updates then please visit [covid19.govt.nz](http://covid19.govt.nz)*

*Should you have important queries, then do not hesitate to contact the class teacher or myself.*

*Be kind and be safe.*

*With regards,  
Diane Parkinson.*

*Whaia te Tikitiki  
**Diane Parkinson**  
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