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Morena te Whanau o Tamariki

I am just touching base with you in this uncertain and difficult time, with some possible ideas for homeschooling while in Lockdown level 4. These are only suggestions, as only you know the limitations of what is possible in your own family;

1. Have your child read to you and read with you. If there is a younger sibling, have them read to that child.
2. Spell everyday words and eye spy is a good game for this. Again have the older child test the younger child.
3. When shopping if your child accompanies you, have them add up different items and see if they can get more and more numbers to add up.
4. Games like Monopoly will help with maths and strategy and Scrabble will help with spelling.
5. Have your child write a daily diary so they can keep track of their daily events in lockdown.
6. involve your child in baking and cooking of the meals. Have them measure and mix etc. then have them write the recipe. They can send it to me later, if possible.
7. Cards and dice games are very good for strategy and mathematical thinking. Go Fish, Last card, Patience etc. if you have more than one dice you can have them add, subtract, multiply and divide.
8. Learning time tables and basic facts together is very beneficial. your child can sing, clap and recite while exercising etc.
9. if your child has a bike, have them ride around the garden or street (if safe.) Time them on your phone. This is the same for burpies, sit up's, push ups, running etc.
- 10 Art and craft at this time is a great relaxer. Using newspaper to make paper boats, hats, and paper planes etc, Origami and colouring in.

11 Our topic is Wai and kai, so any knowledge you have of the Waikato River and/or Pukekohe Soil is important to pass onto your student.

12. TVNZ has a free to air channel on Channel 7 or 502 on Sky. This runs 9 am to 3 pm.

It is important that each day your child does some reading, writing, math's, spelling and exercise. Intersperse their school work with brain breaks and exercise. Lots of fun activities ,like quick quizzes and fun walks and exercise with the whanau. I go with 30 minutes work and 10 minutes break. It is also a good time for your children to learn about family traditions, genealogy and speak in Maori, or your own language if this is possible. Some students have shown interest in other languages, such as Spanish. Dora the Explorer and language sites for children can be found. There are also free educational websites for your student to use, if possible.


your children have a lot of knowledge and its a good time to let them shine and also to learn off you. Life skills like cooking and even building and starting a fire (under supervision) is important. You as parents are fonts of knowledge, so go ahead and share with your kids. keeping busy can keep the mind at ease in this stressful time.


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me any of your children's work.

Kind Regards

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