



## COVID-19 Update #8 to Wee Nippers Community

17 April 2020

Kia Ora to all of our families and whanau

We hope that this finds you and your bubble well. While we have been apart, we hope that StoryPark and Facebook have helped you and your tamariki feel that we are a community and that when we all come together again, while the world may have changed, the care we all feel for each other is as strong as ever.

On Thursday 16 April PM Jacinda Ardern announced that when the New Zealand moves to COVID-19 Alert Level 3, ECE services and schools up to Year 10 are to open for children of essential workers and employees who can return to their workplaces with sufficient safety measures in place.

Attendance is voluntary and the government is asking that everyone who can work from home to continue to do so. The government is also suggesting that children in homes or bubbles shared with elderly or vulnerable people also remain at home.

On Monday 20 April, the PM will announce when New Zealand will move to Alert Level 3. The only indication of a possible date that ECE services and schools may reopen is that it will be one week from when the country moves to Alert Level 3.

We are working on how this will look at Wee Nippers based on incoming advice from the Ministries of Education and Health, brainstorming with our teachers and other team members and taking feedback and suggestions from our community.

We will email all parents and caregivers details about what we anticipate daily life at Wee Nippers at Alert Level 3 to look like on Monday or Tuesday. We will need you to respond and let us know if your child will be returning to Wee Nippers during Level 3 fairly promptly. This is so we can make our final preparations, especially with regards to which of our team will be in the classroom and those who will be using this time for non-contact work.

In the meantime, if you have any questions, suggestions or concerns, please contact Nat or Rachel so that we can add your voice to our planning.

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<https://covid19.govt.nz/>

<http://www.weenippers.co.nz/news/covid-19-updates/>

<https://learningfromhome.govt.nz/>

<https://learningfromhome.govt.nz/supporting-learning/home-learning-tv>