



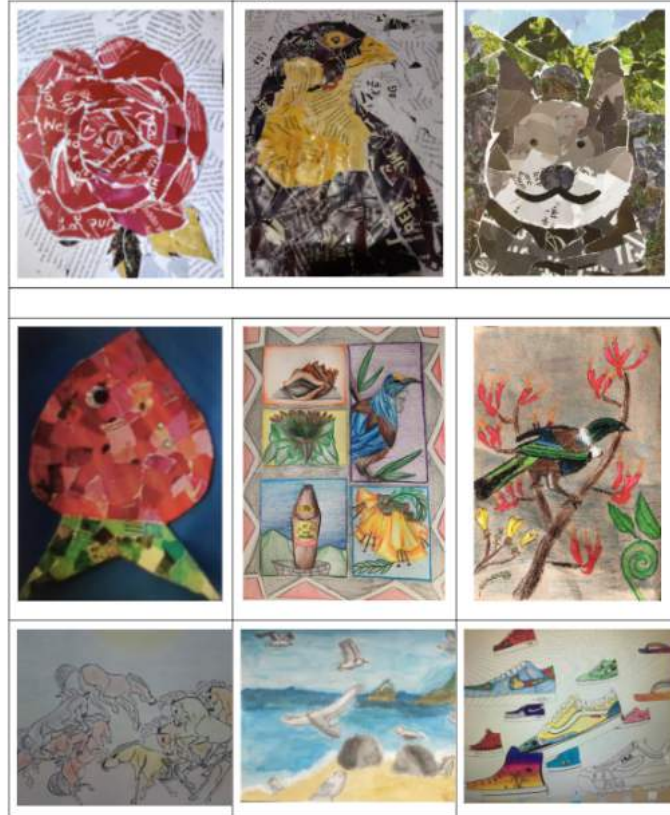
## **Dear Valued Partners,**

The world has changed greatly in the past few months with the challenge of the Covid-19 epidemic and it is uncertain at this time when our NZ borders will reopen. However, we hope to share some key points of information with you so that you can continue to pass this on to your clients who are interested in study in New Zealand.

The NZ Government will be advising on Monday May 11th the date for a change in our Alert Level System moving to Level 2 and how this will look for our nation. The Ministry of Health and the Ministry of Education will then advise schools on the next stage of students returning to schools for onsite learning.

In the mean time, students are busy with their distance learning programmes each day. They work with teachers and classmates through a variety of online tools including google classroom, google hangouts and zoom conferencing software. Students are creating and sharing some of their amazing work.

Some of the amazing art that our learners have done at home.



Bring your pet to class online class meeting.



## Immigration New Zealand

Immigration New Zealand is currently working on all backlog of visa inquiries for onshore students. At this time they are advising off-shore students to wait before making any applications online.

### Entering New Zealand

Currently only New Zealand citizens and residents enter the country, unless there are extreme circumstances.

## Healthcare and insurance for international students

International students are eligible for free, public healthcare if they think they have COVID-19. Further information is available on the Ministry of Health's website.

### Key sources of health information

The official New Zealand Government source of information is website - [covid19.govt.nz](https://covid19.govt.nz/)- (Multiple language translations)

- \* The symptoms of COVID-19 and how to seek medical help
- \* How to protect your mental wellbeing
- \* Self-isolation
- \* Content for speakers of other languages.
- \* Call Healthline for health-related calls about COVID-19 on 0800 358 5453.

## International Department Staff

TNIS has a great team of Teacher Assistants and ESOL staff who work with our International students to ensure that they are managing the online learning environment and are supported in their ESOL learning.

Our team includes:

Kathy Young - ESOL Teacher

Jenny Lai - Teacher Assistant, (Mandarin/Cantonese)

Sophia Yang - Teacher Assistant, (Korean/Mandarin/Japanese)

Rachel Holland-Bosch - International Student Director (Japanese)

If you have any questions please contact Rachel at [studynz@tnis.school.nz](mailto:studynz@tnis.school.nz) and visit our website for details on the [Application process and updated documentation](#).

The website also has a page for [Agents](#) where we will regularly share important documents and information about our school.

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Sit at a distance, stand as one.

When the time is right, we welcome you.

But for now, listen.



*Papatūānuku (our earth mother) is Breathing (click to view video)*

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