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Kia ora koutou,

Edendale Primary School has been working with an independent company, Harrison Tew<sup>®</sup>, which specialises in Emergency Management Plans for schools and educational facilities. The procedures implemented allow us to respond safely and quickly to a range of circumstances.

Our entire school, including our students, have all participated in training sessions today and the response and interaction were very positive.

Today on the 28th June 2021, we conducted a school-wide lockdown exercise under the guidance of Harrison Tew<sup>®</sup>. We are pleased to inform you that our students responded safely, maturely, and with a nature of controlled urgency.

Should you hear of a lockdown or evacuation at the school, can I please ask that you do not attend the school or phone, as we will not be able to respond. Your presence or contact may make it more difficult for us or the emergency services to manage a situation.

Any information pertaining to an emergency occurring at the school will be updated on our website as regularly as possible or via email.

We believe that these procedures that we conduct for lockdowns and evacuations should be deemed in a positive light, as it places us in excellent stead should one occur. It is important that we practice these, as we don't want our first lockdown to be the real one.

We thank you for your support.

Stay well, stay safe, and be kind.

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