



Te Kura Tuarua o Opunake
OPUNAKE HIGH SCHOOL
TERM 2 OHS Learning @ Home PARENT HELP SHEET

At Opunake High School we have a range of online platforms available to support the ongoing learning of our students through the OHS Learning @ Home Plan. Staff will use a range of communication methods such as:

Google Classroom



G Mail



Education Perfect



Hapara Workspace



So how will it work? Teachers will post work on the platforms that they have discussed with their students. We have asked students to remember that most of their teachers are working with up to 120 - 150 students online, so we will need to be patient with each other when waiting for individual responses!

To support home-based learning you could help with the following Learning @ Home habits:

- 1. Ask them if they have checked their email every morning** - this will be where students find notifications from teachers, in the form of emails, Google Classroom and Education Perfect notifications. Teacher digital interactions (real time meetings) will occur during students timetabled class time to avoid clashes with other classes.
- 2. Ask them to share their daily timetable with you** - We recommend that students create a routine as they would normally have on a school day - a schedule that has regular breaks and study time in manageable chunks. It is important that students stay hydrated and eat food that will support their brain! Make sure they have scheduled variety as well - we are encouraging students to make space for exercise, creativity and device-free time!
- 3. Where possible, provide a quiet place to work** - a space at home that is comfortable, well lit and where they can work without distractions. We prefer that students work on their school provided chromebook with their learning. Students are now responsible for engaging in their learning activities to support their education.
- 4. Make sure they have a support person** - This is a new way of working for us. The reality is that many of us, students and adults, need someone to hold us accountable to deadlines! As a parent you may wish to make sure students have a work plan, or see if they have buddied up with students in their class to check in with each other. For students who can easily spend hours on games or social media, a support person will be essential to ensure good timetable habits and help with managing screen time. Click here to view our [cybersafety chromebook agreement](#) (page 7 of our enrolment pack) that all students have signed.

Reach out! If you or your child have any concerns about school work or access to resources please reach out to the subject teacher or deans. The first priority for staff and students should be their whanau and their wellbeing.

Let's all take responsibility for providing a safe and enjoyable online learning environment for all. We can report online harm to [Netsafe](#). As parents you may link to refer to the following resources [#stayconnectedstaysafe](#) provided by Netsafe as well as their updated [parenting](#) page