ORGANISE THE HOUSEWORK WITH THE WHANAU



Make a list of household tasks that you need done. Make sure everyone in the household contributes to the list and then helps... except those not yet walking! The suggestions below may help to get you started.

Use different colours for the different age groups: e.g. yellow for 4-5yrs, red for 10-11yrs....whatever you need for your whanau.

Decorate two tins. Label PICK-A-STICK and TASK DONE.

GO FOR IT!

You could also use this method for earning screen time by putting a value on each task or, instead of tasks, physical activity:

e.g. Clearing the table: 10mins. Cleaning the toilet: 20mins.

e.g. Playing hopscotch for 20 mins: 10mins screen time.

Aim for a maximum of two hours screen time only a day.

Each person could have their own tin to accumulate their screen time.



AGE-APPROPRIATE TASKS

AGES 2-3	AGES 4-5	AGES 6-7
✓ Pick up the blankets	✓ Make your bed	✓ Sweep the floor
✓ Put toys away	✓ Clean out under the bed	✓ Empty the dishwasher
✓ Put rubbish in bin	✓ Feed the pets	✓ Mop the kitchen floor
✓ Put the books away	✓ Pick up toys	✓ Collect rubbish and put in bin
✓ Help set the table	✓ Water the plants	✓ Rake leaves
✓ Pick up the pillows	✓ Dry dishes	✓ Fold clothes & match socks
✓ Hang up the facecloth	✓ Put away dishes if low	✓ Make a simple salad
✓ Put dirty clothes in hamper	✓ Dust the furniture	✓ Peel carrots & potatoes
✓ Dust the baseboards	✓ Clear & clean table after kai	 ✓ Organise footwear in porch
✓ Get the wipes	✓ Wipe down doorknobs	✓ Turn clothes right way out &
✓ Carry firewood	✓ Weed the garden	take to laundry hamper
AGES 8-9	AGES 10-11	AGES 12+
✓ Sort & wash the laundry	✓ Clean the toilet	√ Tidy up the garage
√ Walk the dog	✓ Vacuum	✓ Clean car inside and out
✓ Bring the bins in	√ Sweep the garage/drive	✓ Mow the lawn
✓ Put groceries away	✓ Clear the letterbox	✓ Clean lightshades
✓ Wipe bathroom sink &	✓ Clean mirrors	√ Iron clothes
vanity	√ Make a simple meal	✓ Watch younger siblings
√ Sweep the porches	✓ Wipe down kitchen	✓ Mop the floors
√ Hang out the clothes	✓ Do a massive bedroom	✓ Clean windows
✓ Fold and sort the washing	clean up. Sort out what	✓ Cook a complete meal
√ Make scrambled eggs	you don't need any more	✓ Help with simple home
√ Bake cookies	and put out ready to	repairs
✓ Make a family snack	dispose of	√ Help shop

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ADDITIONAL ACTIVITY

There is a bead bracelet or a door name tag or a letter pattern to make for each child. (Now with so many on the list, not enough of one thing to go round.....kei te pai!)

CRAFT ACTIVITY SIX

The next craft activity is a bulky one, to make up for the small one this time round.

- Some of you will get six round milk or yoghurt bottles, either the large or the smaller size....I have been saving these up for years for just such an occasion as this! Ideally, it would be good for you to find four more for the game you will be making (take a guess as to what it is!)
- Some of you will get a can or three, but you will need at least 12 in total, preferably 20, so start saving these up. The can size needed has a diameter of 7cms.
- You will need to find your own ball to use. Am thinking a cricket ball is ideal, but also a tennis ball would work...I think!

WHEN SCHOOL OPENS AGAIN

No-one yet knows when and how this will look. It may be that only some children, for example those who have parents needing to work in essential services may be the only ones. This is a guess on my part, not an official statement! If only some can go back straight away, I will continue the craft activities <u>only</u> for those who are not yet back at school.