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Principals Welcome Distance Learning Package

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NZPF President, Perry Rush, said the \$88 million package to support children to learn at home during the COVID-19 lockdown, is a welcome support for principals and teachers, who will be teaching their children at a distance until the COVID-19 lockdown is lifted.

"School principals and teachers will welcome the two television channels which will operate from 9am - 3pm, the hard copy learning packs for different year levels and the internet connectivity, modems and devices for those households that don't have these facilities, to support the children's learning.

"Our principals and teachers have been preparing for home learning since before the lockdown was announced and as the learning experts, they will welcome this package to support their own learning plans," he said.

Principals and teachers are clear that home learning plans are not intended to stress parents but rather maintain learning continuity and keep children engaged in their learning. The health and well being of families is of utmost importance.

"For those teachers with no previous experience in distance learning the PLD package available to teachers to support them to work remotely is also very welcome," he said.

"I have full confidence in the principals and teachers across Aotearoa New Zealand, that our children will not lack learning opportunities because of the COVID-19 lockdown," he said.

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