



Tuesday 1st March 2022 - Week 4 - Term 1

# MASTERTON PRIMARY SCHOOL



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## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou, tēnā koutou katoa, nga mihi nui ki a koutou katoa!

Yesterday I confirmed a positive case in our learning community. This was to ensure transparency with regards to our current situation.

We are the 12th school in our region to receive a COVID case in our learning community. So, considering the size of our school, we have done well to mitigate the cases up until this point. The transmission rate within schools is around 4%, so it's reasonably low. We will continue to follow the advice from health officials during this new phase. In Phase 3, only household contacts of confirmed cases are required to self-isolate. The isolation period will be for 10 days. All other contacts of COVID-positive people are not required to isolate, but they will need to monitor for symptoms. (Please get tested if your child displays any of the symptoms below). **Common symptoms**

**1. Fatigue 2. Headaches 3. Sore throat 4. Runny nose 5. Sneezing 6. Fever 7. Cough**

However, around 30% of omicron cases are a-symptomatic or (have no symptoms).



I have included a link to a google form <https://forms.gle/MGMzPR8KVa93uyRP> (online survey) in the event that your child/children test positive for the Omicron variant. (Also in QR code format)



In the likely event that more cases evolve, I will inform the affected syndicate via email. Also, I have had a number of parents contact me regarding the details of this initial case. Please note, that we must respect the whanau and their privacy at this time.

Schools are no longer required to track information regarding close contacts as that term is only referenced to households requiring isolation. Therefore, please refrain from requesting this information as it is a breach of the individuals privacy. I have also had parents ask whether or not it is safe to be at school. I can assure you all that we are doing our best to follow the health & safety guidelines provided by the Ministry of Health & Education.



Ngā manaakitanga

Mr. Gene Bartlett  
Tumuaki Principal  
Masterton Primary School

## MPS REWARDS



- Kody - Room 7 - for being on task.
- Tilly - Room 10 - being on task, waiting patiently and following instructions.
- Thomas - Room 10 - for following instructions.

## Calendar of Events

- |                                  |                                |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| • BOT Meeting                    | Tuesday 1st March & 12th April |
| • Year 5/6 Swimming - Town Pools | Wednesday 2nd March            |
| • Year 5/6 Swimming - Town Pools | Monday 7th March               |
| • Term 1 Ends                    | Thursday 14th April            |
| • Term 2 Begins                  | Monday 2nd May                 |

# PB4L

PB4L is a long-term, systematic approach involving: whole-school change initiatives, targeted group programmes, and individual student support services. Our current focus is:

*Sharing is Caring*

## Whakatauki o te wiki

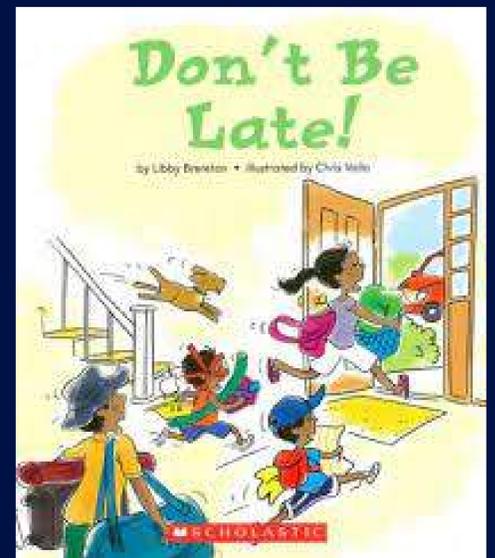
Ko taku reo taku ohooho, ko taku reo taku mapihi mauria  
My language is my awakening, my language is the window to my soul



### Early Bird Catches The Worm

I have been monitoring the start of the school day and have noticed that there are still students arriving after the 8:45am bell. I need to reiterate how important the start of the school day is for our teachers and their classes.

Please support us by ensuring that your children are ready to enter their classes by 8:45am each day. Matua Gene.



### SUN HATS AND SWIM GEAR

It is great to see the sun and there is even a bit of heat in it today. Please remember to send sunhats and swim gear **everyday** for all students in Years 1-4.

All sunhats must have a wide brim (NO CAPS).



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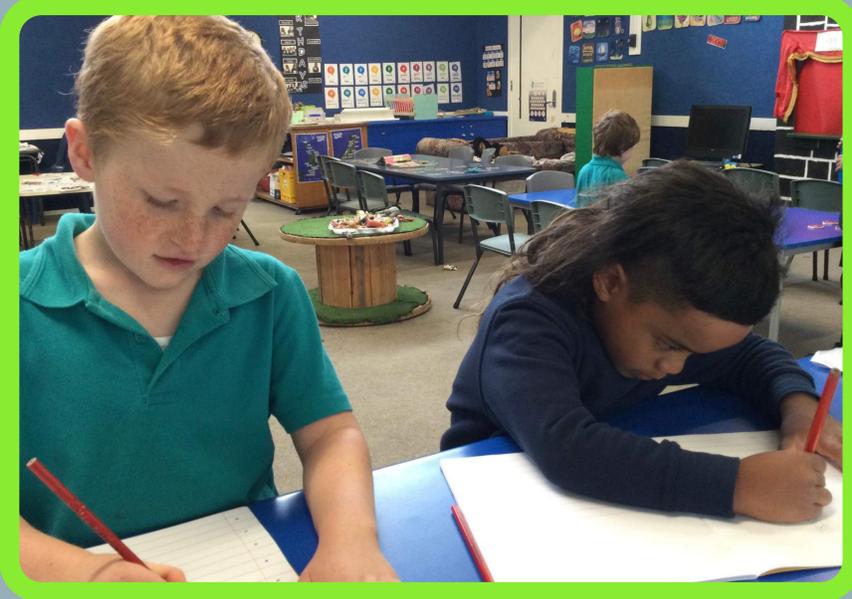
Wash and sanitise hands often



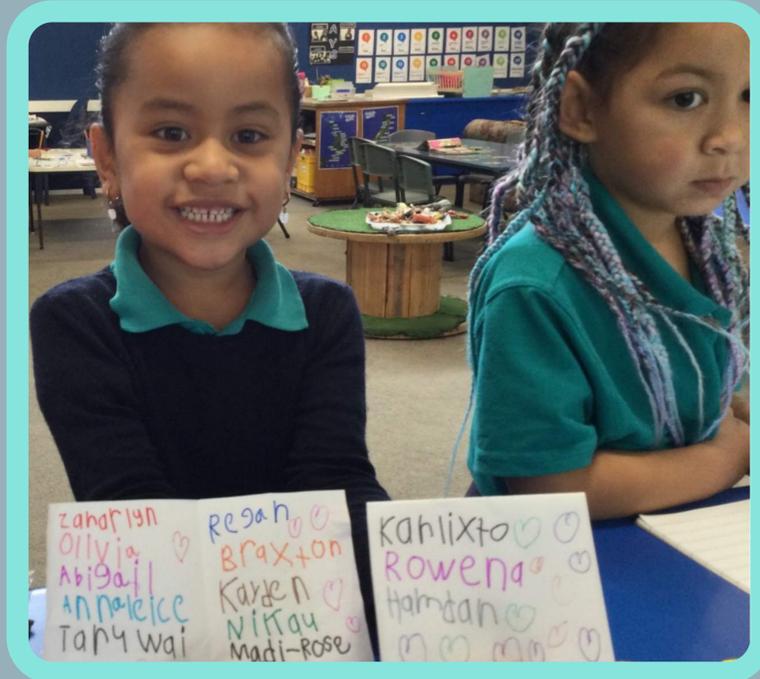
Stay home if you're sick

# WE ARE ROOM 3 AND WE LOVE TO LEARN

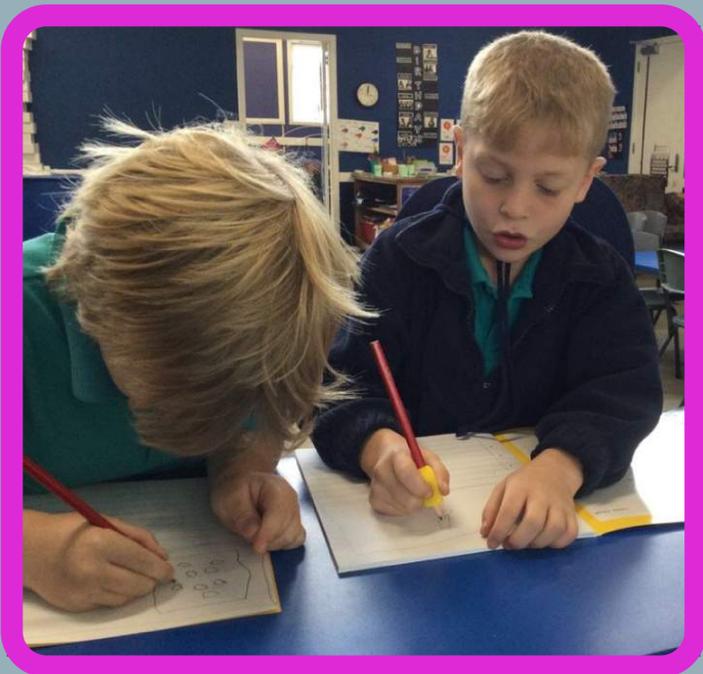
Room 3 have been working hard already this term, showcasing some great writing samples and exploring some outdoor creativity.



Look at our amazing writing Practice



We really enjoyed making and flying our kites.



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## OUR AMAZING STAFF

This week the spotlight is on Carolyn Silverwood our RTLB Cluster Manager.

### Introducing Carolyn Silverwood RTLB

Kia ora Koutou

Ko Carolyn Silverwood taku ingoa.

I have had the privilege of being the cluster manager of the Remutaka RTLB team for the past three years. Prior to that I had been part of the RTLB service since 2008, with a two year break in 2016 to 2018, as I returned to work as an educational psychologist.

I was born in England but came to live in New Zealand with my family, when I was still at school. My husband and I have lived in the Wairarapa since the end of 1984. Our three children were all born and raised here and now luckily one of our three grandchildren, lives nearby. Family is what I value above all else.

As a teacher and psychologist I have always been interested in how people act, react and interact. The key to everything is connection and relationships, without that learning becomes so much more difficult. In my work I have always wanted to understand and support those that learn and connect differently, for whatever reason. The goal is for everyone to have a positive sense of well being within all aspects of their world.

*Carolyn Silverwood*



What is the RTLB service?

Resource Teachers: Learning and Behaviour (RTLB) are funded to work together with teachers and schools to support the achievement of students in Years 1-10 with learning and/or behaviour difficulties.

They have a particular focus on supporting Māori and Pasifika students and children and young people moving into state care. RTLB supports and up-skill teachers to better meet the needs of students within an inclusive education system.

**Masterton Primary School is the Lead School for the RTLB service and we manage 18 RTLB staff from across the region. We have some based at Lakeview School, Carterton School as well as at Upper Hutt School.**

## SPORTS NOTICES



Masterton RedStar JAB Rugby Weigh in

Colombo Rd Clubrooms on Thursday the 10th of March 5:00 – 6:30pm

Colombo Rd Clubrooms on Saturday the 20st of March 1:00 - 2:30pm

U6 and U8 Registrations will be free this year.

U9 – U13 Subs \$20 per player or Family Subs \$20 first child and then \$10 for each other child up to \$40 per family.

Hoody orders taken on weigh in \$40 each



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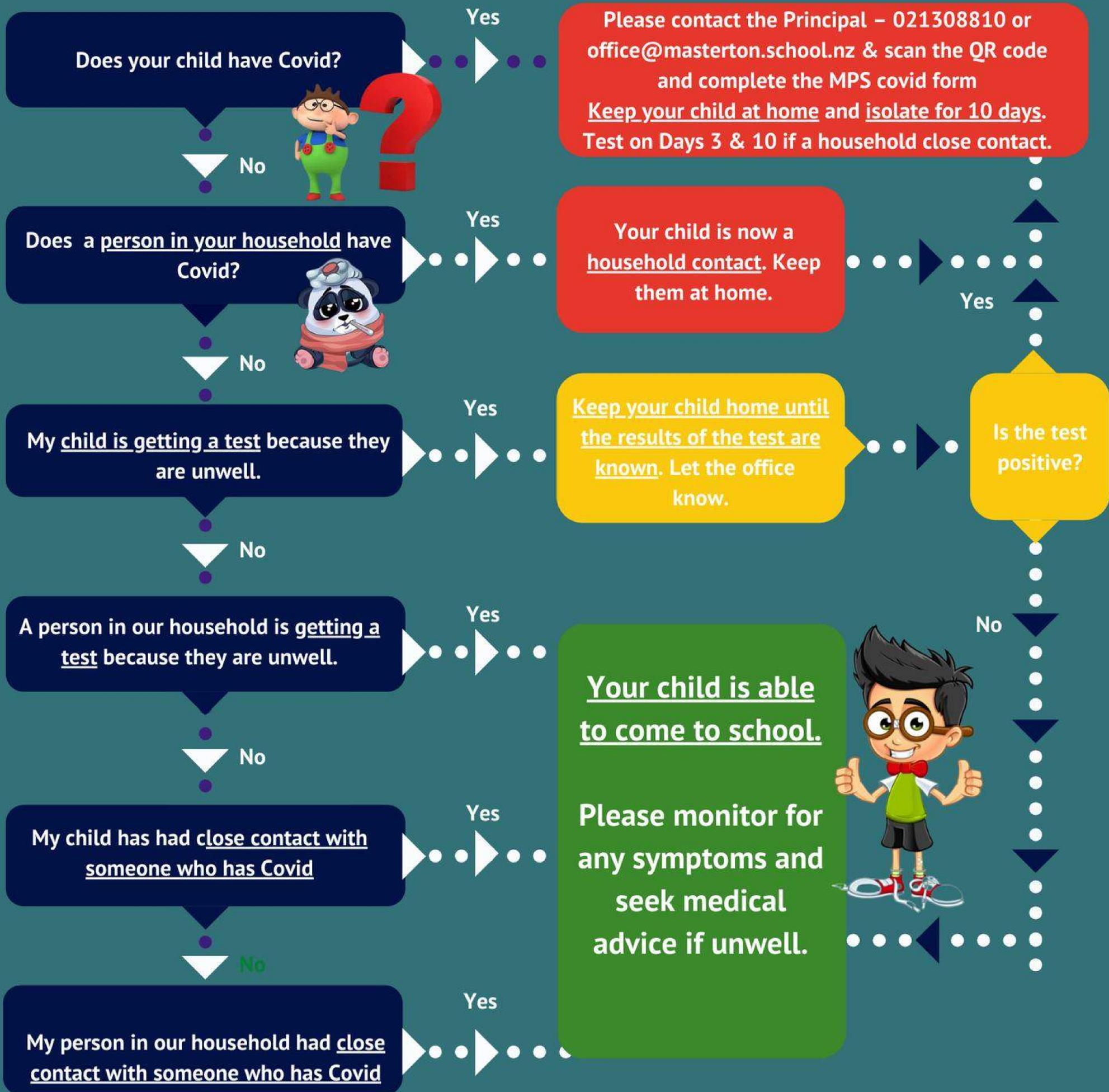
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# MPS COVID CASE PROTOCOLS FLOW CHART



Scan me if positive

Who do I need to contact and should my child stay at home? For any queries, contact the school office 06 3775297



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# Updated guide to self-isolation



You will need to self-isolate from others if you:

are positive for COVID-19

live with a positive case

You must isolate at home or in suitable alternative accommodation. If you test positive for COVID-19, a health professional will help you decide if managed isolation is suitable for you.

Isolate for 10 days from when you test positive

Isolate for 10 days

No further tests required unless directed to

Tests on Day 3 and Day 10

Financial support may be available - check our website to find out what you may be eligible for: [Covid19.govt.nz/financial-support/](https://www.covid19.govt.nz/financial-support/)

This information is accurate as at 24 February 2022. However, it may be updated if phases of the Omicron response change. For the most up to date information, please visit our website at [www.Covid19.govt.nz](https://www.covid19.govt.nz)

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COVID-19**



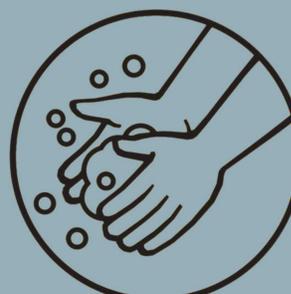
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# NEXT CHAPTER PARENTING

Offering

The **PARENT SURVIVAL KIT**

## **PARENTING COURSE**



- *Do you find yourself yelling at your child more often than laughing with your child*
- *Do you feel you have lost touch with your child*
- *Do you feel frustrated and find yourself saying the same things over and over again with no result*

### **TOPICS COVERED**

COMMUNICATION

CHOICES/CONSEQUENCES

COMPLIANCE

EMPATHY

SIBLING RIVALRY

TEENAGERS AND BOUNDARIES

SETTING LIMITS

PAUSE

TIME IN

ARE YOU DOING TOO MUCH

PERSONALITY TYPES

PRAISE VS ENCOURAGEMENT

QUALITY TIME



**IDEAL FOR  
GROUPS**

**INDIVIDUALS OR  
A BUNCH OF  
FRIENDS**



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