Emergency Management Plan Kaharoa School

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Introduction

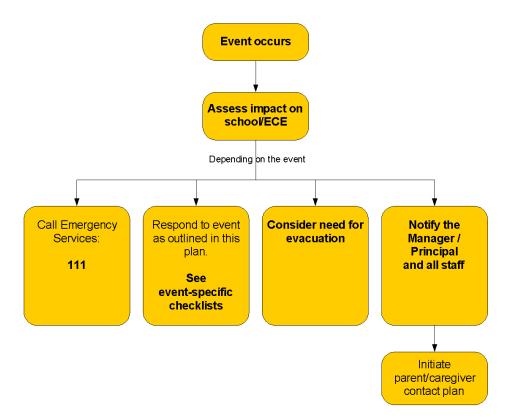
This plan outlines how Kaharoa School will respond in the event of an emergency.

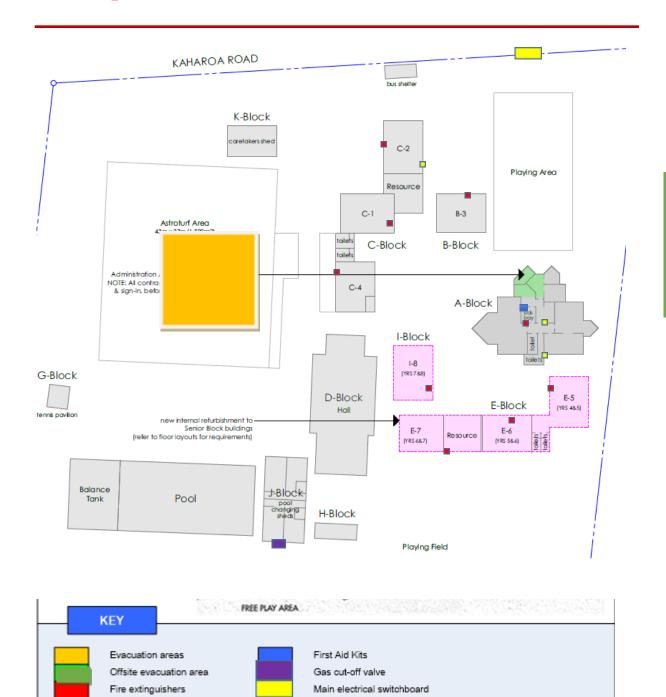
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Basic emergency response process

While every event is unique, there are some basic steps to follow when responding to any emergency, which are outlined below:

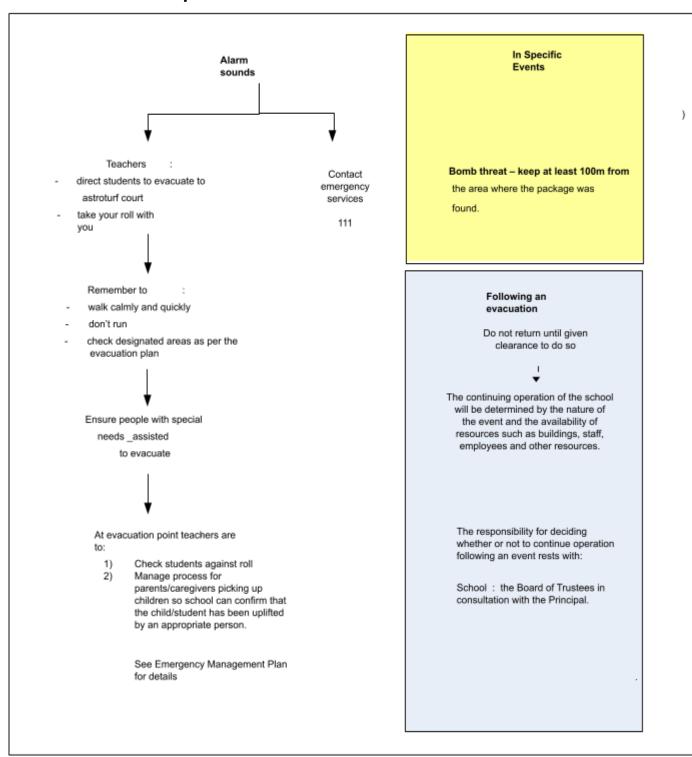




Evacuation

Evacuation from the school may be required to ensure the safety of staff and students in an emergency event. In all cases, evacuations need to be planned and practiced.

General evacuation plan



Our Evacuation plan

Our evacuation areas

Record these here. These should correspond to the detail on your site map.

Remember to include both where you are going and how you will get there. Particularly if your evacuation point is off site. How will children/students and teachers/staff get to the safe area.

Fire Evacuation Plan/Point: Astroturf Court

Earthquake Evacuation Plan/Point: Astroturf Court after all clear has been given

Tsunami Evacuation Plan/Point: Not relevant

Volcano Evacuation Plan/Point: Kōkako Centre or Kaharoa Hall

In most cases it is advisable to stay indoors during ash fall.

Gas/Chemical Evacuation Plan/Point:

NB this may require a "silent" alarm i.e. no cellphones or alarms

Consider students with special requirements and companion animals.

See

Earthquake/Fire/Volcanic Eruption/Natural Disaster Guideline

Lockdown Procedure Guideline

Communications plan – parents, caregivers and others

In any emergency event you will need to contact parents and caregivers to advise them of the situation and advise where and how they can collect their child(ren).

Consider who you will need to contact in an emergency affecting your school or community and plan for how you will contact them and what information they will need.

Our emergency communications plan for parents caregivers and others

- The person in charge or designated serious incident coordinator should notify parents via Gmail and eTap text messenger and with the assistance of local police.
- In conjunction with local police, the person in charge or designated serious incident coordinator should arrange for parents to pick students up from school at a designated safe area. The deputy principal or delegate will mark off on the bus roll those children who have been picked up by parents.
- Cell Phone use at school by children is not allowed however in the event of a critical incident staff will check with children that they do not have cellphones in their possession and/or ascertain whether the child/children concerned have made contact with their parent/caregiver.

Our role in a Civil Defence emergency

Civil defence preparedness for schools generally falls into two categories:

- Ensuring the safety of students and staff at school during a civil defence emergency
- Where appropriate, helping the wider local community during a civil defence emergency, as part of a response coordinated by the local territorial authority.

If your school has agreed to be identified as a Civil Defence Centre the local Civil Defence and Emergency Management Group will provide advice and any equipment that may be required.

Our role in a Civil Defence emergency

Kaharoa School has direct contact with Rotorua Lakes Council Civil Defence Headquarters. The CD Radio is tested every Wednesday morning during term time.

External contact lists – last updated:

Where possible include a primary and alternate number. Please add further important numbers as required.

Emergency services contact information

Police, Fire, Ambulance	111
Police (local station)	Phone (07) 349 9400
National Poison centre	Urgent line 0800 764 766 Non-urgent 03 479 7284
School doctor	Name Jane Carman Address 28 Hoko Road, RD6 Phone 073571030 Mobile 0210641318
Med Centre	Name Ngongotaha Medical Centre Address 17 Taui Street, Ngongotaha Phone 07357 1030 Mobile
Defibrillator - housed in the school bus stop	Padlock Code 0296 - lock checked regularly on Principal's bus duty

Essential government contact information

Ministry of Education	National Office (04) 463 8000 Traumatic Incident Team 0800 TI Team (0800 848 326) Contact Centre 0800 225 580
Ministry of Education media advice and assistance	Point of contact Senior Media Advisor, Communications Group Phone 04 463 8000 - After Hours 027 560 5387
Oranga Tamariki Ministry for Children	0508 326 459
Local council (Civil Defence)	Phone 07 348 4199
Local Emergency Management office/group (Civil Defence)	Point of contact: Rotorua Lakes Council Phone 07 348 4199

Essential utility contact information

Power company	Account number Phone
Electrician - Andrew Bennett	Bennett Electrical 027 4727831

Builder - Duncan Gifford	Gifford Builders (07) 332-3575
Plumber	Plumberman Rotorua <u>07-348 0627</u>
	9A Karaka St, Koutu, Rotorua 3015

External contact lists – last updated:



Essential security contact information

Security	101 Old Taupo Rd, Rotorua 3040 <u>07-347 6989</u>
Alarm monitoring	0800-111-238
Fire alarm/equipment maintenance	Wormald 0800 4 9676253



Other miscellaneous contact information

Other	Contact details
Bus company / Transportation	Go Bus
Lawyer	
Insurance	Crombie Lockwood 07-579 7600



Local ECE services/schools contact information

Other schools/ECEs in local area	Contact details
	Point of contact Craig McFadden
Ngongotaha School:	Phone <u>07-357 4531</u>
	Mobile
	Point of contact: Bridget Gifford
The Orchard	Phone 07-332 3603
	Mobile 0210441317
	Point of contact:
Hamurana Playcentre	Phone <u>07-332 2110</u>
	Mobile

School/ECE contact list – Last updated:

Replace this list with your staff list if more appropriate.

Position	Name	Day Contact	After hours	Other emergency
Position Ivan	Name	details	Contact details	role
		landline and mobile	landline and mobile	Note if staff member is a first aid holder/media or other EM role
Principal / Manager	Lynden Cook	07 3323444 027 5425400	027 5425400 (Personal 0273352093)	
Deputy Principal/ Asst Manager	Rose Powley	07 3323444 027 4588063	027 4588063	
Chairperson, School Board	Sarah Paterson	021 519551	021 519551	
Room 1	Nicky King		0276728087	
Room 2 (Team Leader)	Leanne Hale		07 3322321 027 3322914	
Room 3	Lucelle Cook		027 5687639	
Room 4	Maria Shoebridge		07 357 5008 027 3575079	
Room 5	Lisa Fell		07 3491817 027 2582488	
Room 6	Stephanie Keepa		021 783742	
Room 7	Rachel Seamer		022 0896757	
Room 8	Shinade Picard		027 8401538	
Caretaker	Vance Shoebridge Oliver Bridge (Cleaner)		07 357 5008 021 3575078	
Office Administrator	Susanne Irwin	07 3323444	07 3322228 027 4046940	
Librarian	Sarah Noel		021334081	
Support Staff	Jackie Cowie Heather McDonald Sarah Noel Kylie Johnston		07 3322455 / 027 2102624 07 3322329 / 022 0835767 021334081 021 470921	

Students / parents and caregivers (and alternate) contact

list – Last updated: Term 1 2022

See Green Folder - kept in cupboard behind Office Administrators desk. This information is also kept electronically on eTAP

Student name Parent / Caregiver Day Contact details	After hours Other important information
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The Green Folder is updated at the beginning of each term

Fire

This checklist outlines what to do in the event of fire. You can also use it when practising a fire drill.

	Response actions (as appropriate)
Discovery of	□ Ring the fire alarm.
a fire	□ Call 111
	□ If safe to do so extinguish the fire.
On hearing the alarm	□ Teachers should collect their registers and take their pupils to the designated assembly point(s).
	□ Walk calmly and quickly and avoid panic.
	□ Ensure students / visitors with disabilities are assisted by a responsible person.
	□ Ensure any visitors are included in the evacuation.
	□ Check rest areas, bathrooms and common rooms en route to the designated exit point.
	□ Ensure all students remain at the evacuation point until clearance to leave is given.
Returning to the building(s)	Do not return to the building(s) until given the all clear by the Fire Service.
Ongoing operations following a fire	The continuing operation of the school will be determined by the nature of the fire and the availability of resources such as buildings, staff, employees and other resources The responsibility of whether or not to continue school functions rests with the Board of Trustees, in consultation with the Principal.
	□ Contact your Ministry of Education regional office (which can help you access the Traumatic Incident team if required).

Earthquake

This checklist outlines what to do in the event of an emergency. You can also use it when practising an earthquake drill. **REMEMBER – LONG OR STRONG, GET GONE**

	Response actions (as appropriate)					
During an	□ If indoors:					
earthquake	Move no more than a few steps to a safe place and drop, cover and hold until the shaking stops. If you can, take cover under a desk or table.					
	Keep away from shelves containing heavy objects and other large items of furniture					
	Keep away from windows					
	Stay indoors until the shaking stops and it's safe to go outside					
	□ If outside:					
	Find a clear spot and drop to the ground and cover your head and neck.					
	Students to stay in the school grounds until a teacher comes to get them.					
	Keep away from buildings and power lines					
	□ Expect aftershocks.					
When the shaking stops	□ If you felt the earthquake was long (longer than a minute) or strong (hard to stand up in) then a tsunami may be imminent. If you are in a tsunami evacuation area, initiate self-evacuation immediately (refer to tsunami plan).					
	□ Ensure your personal safety first					
	□ Check those around you and offer help if necessary.					
	□ If anyone requires medical assistance, call 111 and/or administer first aid.					
	□ Evacuate if required.					
	□ Get staff and pupils away from dangerous areas					
	□ Listen to the radio for instructions from Civil Defence.					
	□ If you smell gas or hear a blowing or hissing noise, open a window and get everyone out quickly. Turn off the gas, using the outside main valve if you can. If you turn off the gas for any reason, it must ONLY be turned back on by a registered plumber or gas fitter.					
Ongoing operations following the earthquake	□ The continuing operation of the school will be determined by the nature of the emergency and the availability of resources such as buildings, staff, employees and other resources.					
	The responsibility of whether or not to continue school functions rests with the Board of Trustees, in consultation with the Principal.					
	□ Contact your Ministry of Education regional office (which can help you access the Traumatic Incident team if required).					

Tsunami

	Response actions (as appropriate)					
	 PRIOR to an event Check whether your school is in a tsunami evacuation zone by contacting your local council or Civil Defence Emergency					
When a tsunami	□ If you feel a long (more than a minute) or strong (hard to stand up) earthquake and your school is located in a tsunami evacuation zone. Once the shaking stops, gather all students and evacuate immediately; move to higher ground or as far inland as possible.					
threatens	□ If you receive an official warning advising you to leave. Respond to the first message; do not wait for more messages before you act.					
	□ Listen carefully to official instructions and follow them.					
	□ Evacuate from the areas or zone(s) stated in an official warning.					
After the impact of the Tsunami	□ If there is time, take your disaster survival kit and any important documents with you (such as the roll and contact details).					
	□ Stay out of the evacuated area until given the official "all-clear". Continue to listen to TV and radio, or monitor civil defence social media for advice and information.					
	□ Contact your Ministry of Education regional office (which can help you access the Traumatic Incident team if required).					

Flooding

Flooding can happen quickly and have serious impacts. Flooding may be caused by heavy rain, overflowing creeks and rivers and high tides or tsunamis in coastal and low-lying areas.

Floods within a building can also be caused by normal wear and tear failures of pipe joints, vandalism, or be the result of earthquakes.

	Response actions (as appropriate)			
	□ Check with your local civil defence emergency management office if the school/ECE is in a flood prone area.			
Before a	□ Learn flood warning signs and understand your community's public alerting system.			
	□ Check with your local civil defence and emergency management office if there is a community flood evacuation plan. If yes, plan and practice this plan.			
	□ Be ready to act quickly. Floods and flash floods can happen quickly and without warning			
Eleading	□ Evacuate if required (and get to higher ground)			
Flooding reported or sighted	□ Follow the instructions and advice of emergency services and civil defence and emergency management authorities.			
	□ If safe to do so, move records and equipment onto higher floors or onto furniture as high as possible			
	□ If flood is due to burst pipes etc, turn off the water at the mains if possible			
After a flood	□ Flood dangers do not end when the water begins to recede. Continue to listen to communication channels and don't return until authorities indicate it is safe to do so.			
	□ Get medical care if necessary. Contaminated water can cause infection.			
	□ Stay away from damaged areas. Your presence might hamper rescue and other emergency service operations.			
	Contact your Ministry of Education regional office (which can help you access the Traumatic Incident team if required).			

Volcanic eruption and ashfall

	Response actions (as appropriate)				
If you are at risk from	□ Learn about your community's warning systems and emergency plans.				
Volcanic Activity	□ Develop an evacuation plan for volcanic eruptions and make sure everyone is aware and practices it.				
When a volcano	□ Listen to your radio or TV for advice and information				
threatens	□ Contact your local Civil Defence Group for advice on the volcanic hazards that could affect your school during an eruption.				
	□ Check that staff know what to do. Revise with students.				
Large eruption	□ Evacuation: If the school is in the path of potential lava flows, pyroclastic flows, surges or lahars be prepared to evacuate when asked to by controlling authorities (i.e. police, civil defence etc).				
	□ Ensure that staff and pupils stay indoors. Have dust masks available.				
	□ Close windows and doors. In heavy ash falls, windows and doors may need additional sealing to avoid ash entering the school buildings.				
	□ Turn off air-conditioning units and any other equipment that draws in or blows air.				
Ash Fall	□ Protective clothing (especially if working in the ash fall) should be worn by anyone who has to work outside in an emergency and goggles used to protect the eyes.				
	Volcanic ash is very abrasive. Properly fitted, P2 or N95 - rated safety masks are recommended for anyone in contact with ash.				
	□ Monitor the amount of ash on roofs. Roofs may collapse under the weight of ash causing injury to the occupants. Evacuate buildings which show signs of roof sagging.				
	□ Disconnect roof-fed water supply only when ash fall is occurring or during the clean up to stop ash entering the storage tanks.				
	□ If possible have school outdoor equipment, cars etc parked under-cover or cover them.				
Cleaning up after an ash fall	The local council and CDEM group will provide advice on cleaning up and disposing of ash.				
	□ Contact your Ministry of Education regional office (which can help you access the Traumatic Incident team if required).				

Pandemic

It is important that your ECE/School takes steps **now** to protect staff, students or children from future **pandemics** (global disease events such as influenza) or **epidemics** (local disease events such as, measles, hepatitis, tuberculosis, norovirus, whooping cough etc).

The **Ministry of Health** leads the Government's response to a pandemic. It is the responsibility of other agencies to plan for and respond to a pandemic in their respective sectors and settings, based on the direction set out by the Ministry of Health. At all times updates and latest information should be accessed from the Ministry of Health.

Pandemics by their nature are unpredictable in terms of timing, severity and the population groups that are most affected. Planning for an infectious disease outbreak is as important as planning for other emergencies.

Pre-response and Response actions (as appropriate)					
Planning					
□ Recommend annual vaccinations for staff					
□ Consider having a supply of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) gloves, face masks, antiseptic hand wash,					
 Develop a communications plan for staff, students, families and other interested members of the community. 					
□ Identify an appropriate space to be used as an isolation area					
Know who your local Medical Officer of Health is and maintain regular contact.					
Response – when a pandemic has been advised or declared					
 Regularly check for updates on the Ministry of Health website (Ministry of Health NZ) 					
□ Use posters available from Ministry of Health <u>re cough / sneeze etiquette,</u> <u>handwashing</u>					
□ Consider social distancing strategies. Information on this is available from the Ministry of Health.					
Consider implementing an enhanced cleaning routine of touch points and common spaces as a precaution.					
□ Establish the isolation area (as required)					
□ Liaise with your local Medical Officer of Health (MOoH):					
Name:					
Contact number:					
Address:					

Gas leak

	Response actions (as appropriate)					
	□ Consider evacuating the area or the school/ECE. Do not re-enter building or outside area until cleared by authorised personnel					
	□ Turn off the main valve					
	☐ If possible and safe to do so open windows to allow the gas to dissipate.					
If gas leak is	□ Rescue any person in immediate danger but only if safe to do so.					
suspected	□ Do not:					
	 operate any electrical switches, including lights or alarms. use cell phone in area where leak is occurring – even if outside of building allow anyone to smoke in the vicinity 					
	□ Warn others in the immediate area					
	□ Call emergency services (111) if required					
	□ Call our local gas company:					
	Company: Ph: Our account number:					
	Contact your Ministry of Education regional office (which can help you access the Traumatic Incident team if required).					

Chemical spill

All chemical spills must be treated as toxic and dangerous. They can be in liquid form, solids, powder or gas.

	Response actions (as appropriate)				
Become aware of chemical spill	 Move all people in the vicinity to a safe area. Consider: evacuation of entire school / ECE if required and safe to do so Alternatively, it may be safer to stay indoors and seal doors, windows, other openings and switch off any air intake units. 				
	☐ If required, contact emergency services on 111☐ Give appropriate first aid to anyone in contact with the spill				
	□ Notify the Manager / Principal and staff				
	□ Consideration may have to be given to how students will be able to leave the centre/school after finishing time if the spill has not been made safe by then.				
	□ Contact your Ministry of Education regional office (which can help you access the Traumatic Incident team if required).				

Dealing with a suspicious letter or package

When dealing with suspicious packages the utmost caution must be exercised and no attempts must be made to touch, move or examine the package.

Note: If a suspected bomb - Do not use a cell phone or other radio device anywhere near the package.

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	Response actions (as appropriate)						
In general	□ Note the location of the package and a description of it (markings etc).						
	□ Do not touch, shake or attempt to move the package.						
	□ Check with the addressee to see if they are expecting the package						
	□ Isolate the item.						
	□ Call the police (111) and advise them of the circumstances, the description of the package and its location.						
	□ As appropriate, position staff at a safe distance to direct people away from the area where package/letter is.						
	□ Consider evacuating the area or the school (Take police advice)						
If you open a letter/packag	□ Put on gloves and place opened letter/package in a plastic bag						
e and discover	□ If hands or any part of the body may have come into contact with the envelope or package then wash with soap and water						
powder:	□ If contents spilled						
	Do not clean up or wipe spilt contents						
	Avoid breathing the powder or spores						
	Clear all people from the area and isolate the area (close doors Prevent access)						
	& prevent access)Switch off air conditioning						
	Wash hands with soap and hot water.						
	□ If contents are spilt on clothing						
	Select a room for changing Democra plathing and place in plantic bag.						
	Remove clothing and place in plastic bagShower with soap and hot water						
	Change into other clothes.						

Bomb threats

Keep calm. Do not hang up. A dialogue with the caller is important as information that may be gleaned from the caller can help assess the current situation and help police with further inquiries.

Let the caller talk, ask the questions as the opportunity arises and avoid being confrontational.

This checklist for bomb threats should be kept by the phone. Staff who would normally answer the phone should be briefed on the questionnaire to ensure some familiarity with it. A pre-printed version of the check list is available from police and may be preferred over this list for convenience.

Questions			Answe	ers			
When is the bomb go	ing to explode?						
Where is the bomb?							
What does the bomb	look like?						
What kind of bomb is	it?						
What is the explosive	type and quantity	?					
Why did you place the	e bomb?						
What is your name?							
Where are you?							
What is your address	?						
Exact wording of the	threat:						
The Caller							
Sex:				□ Male	□ Fe	em	ale
Estimated age:							
Any speech impediment (specify):							
Accent (specify):							
Voice- loud – soft etc:							
Speech – fast – slow etc:							
Manner, calm emotional etc:							
Did you recognise the voice?			□Yes	□No			
If so who do you think it was?							
Was the caller familiar with the area?			□Yes	□No			
Threat Language							
□ Well spoken	□ Irrational □ Message read by caller □ Of			□ Other:			
□ Incoherent □ Taped □ Abusive							
Any background noises?							
□ Street noise	□ Aircraft □ Music						Vehicle
□ House noise	□ Voices □ Machinery			<u>'</u>			Other:
Call taken	Call taken						
Date://	Time:		Length of	call:		N	umber called:

Trespasser on the school grounds

Only follow this process if it is clear that the trespasser does <u>not</u> come under the category of Violent Intruder (see following page).

Trespassing is where a person enters an ECE or school and either:

- Has been requested to leave, or
- their behaviour is such that the ECE/school would not give permission for them to be there.

Incident type	Response actions (as appropriate)				
You become aware of a	Assess the nature of the trespasser: non-threatening or aggressive (if aggressive – follow the violent intruder process, next page).				
person on the school/ECE grounds that	□ If appropriate, greet the trespasser, advise them who you are, and ask them why they are there. Whenever possible, ensure that you have a colleague with you.				
does not have permission to be there.	□ If the reason for the visit appears legitimate, take the person to the office where the reasons for the visit can be dealt with.				
Become	□ If the reason for the visit is not legitimate, explain that they have to leave the premises.				
aware that there is a trespasser on	□ Notify the principal or other staff member of the description, location and activity of the trespasser.				
the property.	□ Ensure the children and staff are safe and the classrooms are kept secure.				
	If the person leaves when requested they are no longer considered a trespasser.				
If the	□ Explain that staff will have to call the police.				
trespasser refuses to	□ If the trespasser still refuses to leave ask colleague to call the police.				
leave when	□ If it is safe, stay with the trespasser until the police arrive.				
requested	□ If the trespasser gives any indication of violence walk away (if possible keep the trespasser under observation from a safe distance until police arrive).				
	□ When police arrive update them on the situation.				
	□ Ensure the incident is documented and filed (including providing a report to police).				
Follow-up actions	□ Contact your Ministry of Education regional office (which can help you access the Traumatic Incident team if required).				
	□ Consider:				
	 debriefing staff on the incident and assess if your Emergency Management process worked correctly or needs amendments. debriefing students if the incident was a public one to prevent rumours and speculation. 				
	'				

Note: There is no authority under the Trespass Act 1980 for the occupier to physically eject the person from the premises. If a trespasser refuses to leave when requested, he or she should be told that the police will be called. The police have the option to arrest and charge the person with an offence, however they will assess each incident and take what they think is appropriate action.

As well as the process under the Trespass Act, the Education Act 1989, section 139C makes it an offence to intentionally insult, abuse, or intimidate a teacher or other member of staff on school premises.

Violent intruder

This checklist provides a very basic guide to managing a Violent Intruder incident.

The aftermath of a Violent Intruder incident will require careful management as even in the 'best case' scenario of no one being injured there may be traumatised staff and pupils, concerned parents, disruption to your school or ECE and media interest.

	Response actions (as appropriate)				
Shots are heard or a violent intruder is seen on the premises	□ Call 111 • Identify yourself and your school/ECE, including address • Details of situation • Details of any casualties • Description of weapons, number of shots etc • Description and location and identity of offender if known • Identify the 'target' of aggression if known □ If safe, move to predetermined safe position to await Police arrival □ Alert staff/students (avoid using the fire alarm). Our alert system: i.e. Silent alarm □ Move everyone out of hallways and into rooms. □ Lock and/or barricade, or cover if possible, doors/windows. □ Keep quiet and do not leave the classroom unless it is safe to do so. □ Should the event occur, while students are outside in playing fields: instruct students to move to nearest secure room, or to a safe-predetermined, assembly area (which may include an off-site area close to the school/ECE). □ Once police arrive, liaise with them to secure crime scene(s)				
Following the incident	 □ The Trauma Incident Teams will provide support (see contact list for phone number). □ Liaise with the media 				
	□ Consider whether to temporarily close, or continue operating. (The Trauma Incident Teams will provide guidance on suitable responses) □ Continue to monitor the wellbeing of students and staff				
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For detailed resources on traumatic incidents, please visit: www.education.govt.nz/school/student-support/emergencies

Serious injury or death

All ECE services and schools need to be prepared and know how to manage a traumatic incident involving death or serious injury. The sudden death (or serious injury) of a child, young person, staff member or family/whānau member has the potential to create significant dangers or risks to the physical and emotional wellbeing of children, young people and people within a community.

The event also has the potential to cause sudden and/or significant disruption to the effective operation of an ECE service or a school and their community. If the aftermath is poorly or insensitively handled, it can impact on those affected and attract adverse media or public comment.

	Response actions (as appropriate)		
Death / serious	□ Ensure your own safety. Assess area for danger (eg: live wires, poisonous substances etc)		
injury occurs at school or	□ Do not assume death has occurred – give immediate first aid		
ECE	□ Call emergency services		
	□ Notify Manager/Principal; isolate and contain the area.		
Action after medical personnel have taken over	 Manager/Principal to advise (as soon as possible): ECE / school management team and staff board and chair 		
	 □ Consider accompanying police to advise parents. □ Advise the Ministry of Education Trauma Incident Team on 0800 84 83 26. This team will help guide you on managing the response (including how to advise students, arrange counselling etc) 		
	□ Complete incident form with all known details		
	□ Ensure the designated media person for the school is fully briefed		

If the death or serious injury occurs outside of school/ECE, follow the appropriate steps noted above.

Online resources

Visit the Ministry of Education website to assist in managing this type of response in ECE services:

www.education.govt.nz/school/student-support/emergencies

Traumatic Incident Team

Contact the Ministry of Education Traumatic Incident team on 0800-TI TEAM / 0800 84 83 26

Missing child or student

All instances of a child or student going missing from a school or ECE centre have to be treated urgently and steps taken to find the missing person or confirm their safe whereabouts.

There can be many reasons and associated dangers for a missing child or student including:

- the proximity of dangerous hazards to the school/ECE
- the possibility of an abduction
- the possibility that the child or student has been picked up by a parent or caregiver
- the child or student has decided to leave school for the day
- the child or student has felt unwell and simply gone home.

Until the child or student has been found or confirmed in a safe location, action must be taken to locate them.

	Response actions (as appropriate)
Information or notification that a child / student is missing	□ Confirm: • that the person had been present at ECE / school at some time during the day, and if so; • when they were last seen □ Notify Manager / Principal and staff
	□ Search the school / ECE.
If child or student is found	□ If child/student found injured or ill, call for medical assistance if required.
	□ Notify manager / principal and other searchers.
	□ Establish what happened and complete incident report
	□ Arrange for the child / student's parents or caregivers to be advised
If child or student is not found	□ Notify the police immediately
	□ Notify the parents / caregivers immediately
	□ Contact your Ministry of Education regional office (which can help you access the Traumatic Incident team if required).