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TO THE PARENTS/ CAREGIVERS OF STUDENTS IN PAPATUANUKU SYNDICATE - Rooms 1 to 5

Dear Parents/Caregivers

As part of the *Te Wa* (journey of life) study, Papatuanuku Syndicate are focusing on the past (*Then and Now*), which involves comparing/learning about life from the 1940s to today.

This study was launched with students visiting the museum and library. The students are enthusiastic about this learning and we are asking for you to support us by:

- lending articles from the 1940s - 1950s
Some suggestions are items used in the house, garden, farm or school (kettle, washing board, candle holder, kerosene lamp, sewing machine)
- sharing any games, toys or photos of this decade
- organising for someone with a car from this period to bring it to school
- arranging for a grandparent, family member or friend to visit classes and describe what school was like during this time
- providing photos of school or family life
- talking about food available then, and its purchase, packaging and preparation
- sharing items of clothing
- inviting someone to demonstrate a craft that was popular/common during 1940 -1950
eg. spinning, weaving, wood turning.

If you have any items to share please ensure they are clearly named.

If you are able to assist with any of the above, or have other suggestions, please contact your child's teacher to arrange groupings, and a day and time that suit you and your presenter. We appreciate your help.

God bless,

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