



GOVERNMENT OF THE COOK ISLANDS

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MINISTERIAL ORDER

Section 8 of the COVID-19 ACT 2020

Dated: 31 March 2020

It is ordered that:

- 1.1 All schools to close at the conclusion of the current school holiday period.
- 1.2 All childcare and learning facilities for the under 5s are closed.
- 1.3 The University of South Pacific, the Cook Islands Tertiary Training Institute and the Theological College are closed.

Nothing in this order prevents any of the above places from carrying out remote learning if that place elects to do so, provided that any schools operated under the Ministry of Education will wait for the approval of the Secretary of Education before carrying out any remote learning.

This order comes into force immediately.

This order will remain in force until 11.59pm on Sunday 19 April 2020.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of a large, stylized 'V' and 'R' followed by a horizontal line.

Hon. Vainetutai Rose Toki Brown
Minister of Health