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Tēnā tātou katoa,

As announced by the Prime Minister in her press conference this evening, New Zealand will remain at Alert Level 2 restrictions for the next 12 days. This means Dargaville High School will remain open, adhering to the protocols of our Level 2 Safety Plan.

I would like to take this time to remind all parents/caregivers and ask you to talk to your students about the Public Health approach to minimise the risk for staff and students.

Physical distancing is a good precaution to prevent the spread of disease. We do, however, know it is challenging in schools, so good hygiene practices and regular cleaning are even more important. This includes staff and students coughing into their elbows, handwashing, regularly sanitising hands and drying and regular cleaning of commonly touched surfaces.

Under Alert Level 2, we advise any students and staff to stay at home if they are sick, and we will send anyone home immediately if they show any symptoms.

It's important, however, that not just at school but also at home, safe hygiene habits are practised by everyone, as this is essential to minimise the risk that someone gets infected with Covid-19. For more information about the public health measures at Alert Level 2, you can visit the Covid19 website: <https://covid19.govt.nz/>.

If you have any questions about our health and safety plan or have a child who might be vulnerable to serious illness and would like to discuss a plan for them, please contact me.

Ngā mihi

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Mike Houghton', is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Mike Houghton
Principal