



Kia ora koutou Boulcott whanau,

Like me, I am sure you have followed with interest the announcements made yesterday by the Prime Minister.

It is reassuring to hear how well our country has done at minimising the impacts of COVID-19. Alert Levels 4 and 3 have not been easy and I thank you for your ongoing support for the work we are doing.

Yesterday, the Prime Minister advised that in Alert Level 2 schools are safe environments for children, young people and staff and that additional public health control measures are in place to prevent the spread of disease and to support contact tracing.



The good news is that when we are able to, we will be ready to welcome all students and staff back to our school site. The Senior Leadership Team is already working on a Health and Safety Plan to ensure school is a safe place for all.

A reminder, that we are still in Level 3. School is only open for families of essential workers who cannot have their children at home. An announcement will be made by the Prime Minister this Monday (11th May) if we are to move to Level 2. If we do move to Level 2 next Monday, the earliest that school will be open for all students is Monday 18th May.

Thank you all for your continued support with our Distance Learning Programme. I fully appreciate as a parent too, that the novelty may be well and truly wearing off at home! Continue to do what you can, based on your child's interest and enthusiasm.

Finally, thanks for all the wonderful photos and videos of our first Pet Day! The teachers have loved seeing these additional family members that the children often talked about at school. Look out for a highlights reel at the beginning of next week. In the meantime, below is a taster of what was shared.

Nga mihi,

Stu Devenport

Principal

