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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Re: Alert Level 2 Updates

This communication is to update you as we continue to work through the implications of Alert Level 2.

- The Subject Information Evening (Tuesday, August 18 6.00pm – 7.00pm) has been moved online. Please find attached to this email further information and instructions. Alternatively, you can access this information here (ctrl + click or copy and paste into your web browser): <https://hail.to/pnbhs/article/GaovNqY>
- Thanks to the work of the various regional sporting bodies, most Manawatu secondary school sports competitions this week will take place. Unfortunately, the restrictions at Alert Level 2 mean that spectators (other than team officials) will not be permitted at most fixtures. We appreciate that this will be disappointing news for many in our community but do ask for your support so that these activities are able to go ahead.
- The school Sports and Cultural photographs scheduled for tomorrow have been postponed.
- The Level 3 Biology fieldtrip to Wellington scheduled for Thursday has been cancelled.
- The Manawatu Secondary Schools Cross Country Championships scheduled for Wednesday have been postponed.
- The Victoria University Open Day scheduled for Friday has been cancelled.

Year 13 students are asked to be at the hall by 8.45am tomorrow morning for an important NCEA presentation. They should bring the provisional record of achievement and NCEA credit information they were given at Form Time this morning with them.

Please reinforce with your son the importance of good hygiene practices – in particular regular hand washing and coughing and sneezing into his elbow. A reminder that students who wish to wear facemasks are able to do so and an increasing number of young men have been wearing them over the last week.

We are endeavouring to be prepared should the Alert level change at short notice, as was the case for Auckland schools last week. Should we move to Alert Level 3 it would be very helpful for our planning to know which junior students would require supervision at school so that we can make sure we have the necessary requirements in place. Junior students whose parents are essential workers are able to register to come to school to be supervised should this be absolutely necessary. If your son is in that category please email us as soon as possible with his name and form class – admin@pnbhs.school.nz – so that we can begin to make contingency plans to provide the necessary supervision. Can I please reiterate that this detail is being sought so that we can plan proactively. There is no information available to us to suggest that a change in Alert Level is imminent. We will continue to update our community as further information comes available.

Thank you again for your support as we work through these challenges.

Yours faithfully,

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