

Kia ora whānau

The Prime Minister last evening announced there will be **no change to current alert levels** for the next 12 days. Auckland will remain at Alert Level 3 and the rest of the country will remain at Alert Level 2 until 11.59pm 26 August.

Cabinet will review this decision on Friday, 21 August and formally consider Alert Levels on Monday, 24 August.

The Prime Minister said, *"In keeping with our precautionary approach, and New Zealand's philosophy of going hard and going early, today Cabinet has agreed to maintain our current settings for an additional 12 days, bringing us to a full two weeks in total."*

"Our current expectation is that by this time, the perimeter of the cluster will be identified, will be isolated and we can move to Level 2 in Auckland with confidence."

I know you and our community are all doing everything possible to support our children and young people during this unsettling time. Thank you for your ongoing support of our school.

Key message:

- Newtown School **remains in level 2 until further notice.**
- A **school newsletter** will be sent to you **today by midday.**
- Some **school devices** were sent home on Friday - we ask that these are **returned to school** this Monday.

Working together to minimise community transmission is a goal that **unites us all.**

Please look after yourself and your whānau - Stay safe. Enjoy the sunny weekend!

Naku noa na

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