Dannevirke South School Limited Opening of School Tuesday 29 April

As you will be aware we move to Covid-19 Level 3 from 28 April and schools are open for some students from 29 April. We need to remind ourselves of the guiding principles that apply at Level 3.

- 1. **Stay home.** If you are not at work, school, exercising or getting essentials, then you must be at home, the same as at Level 4.
- 2. **Work and learn from home if you can.** We still want the vast majority of people working from home, and children and young people learning from home. At-risk students and staff should also stay at home, and they will be supported to do so. Early learning centres and schools will physically be open for up to Year 10 for families that need them."

What does this mean for South School?

Students can attend if parents/whanau "need" children to be at school because:

- Parent/whanau needs to be at work (does not include working from home)
 and
- There is no other responsible adult in the household. You can also extend your bubble for childcare.

What will school be like?

- Social distancing practised inside and out. This includes individual desks in the classroom 2m apart.
- High levels of hygiene practised
- Learning in a group of no more than 10. Students will be required to remain in this "bubble" whilst at school. "Bubbles" will be mixed age groups and unlikely to be taught by your child's regular teacher
- Staggered start and finish times for school. "Bubbles" will be on different break times.
- Play outside monitored to ensure social distancing
- Unfortunately, there will be limited access to equipment, and playgrounds will initially be closed
- Learning will be the same online material supplied to students at home
- Students attending under Level 3 are expected to attend regularly.

For parents/whanau who need students to be at school, you must by 4pm Thursday 23 April:

- Email <u>principal@dannevirkesouth.school.nz</u> and include names of students needing to attend school
- Alternatively, you can call 0275064862
- After 23 April the school office must be contacted if you need to send your child to school. We must have prior notice of all children attending.
- We need this information now to organise student groupings, staffing and advise details for parents/whanau.

Online Learning will continue for most students at home