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Coronavirus Information Update as at: 3 February 2020

To our Papamoa College Community

You will have seen that the Prime Minister has made an announcement regarding people travelling from China. <https://www.beehive.govt.nz/release/new-zealand-restrict-travel-china-protect-against-coronavirus>. It includes the following information concerning all foreign nationals travelling from, or transiting through mainland China:

“The Government is placing temporary entry restrictions into New Zealand on all foreign nationals travelling from or transiting through mainland China to assist with the containment of the novel coronavirus and to protect New Zealand and the Pacific Islands from the disease.

This will take effect from tomorrow and will be in place for up to 14 days. This position will be reviewed every 48 hours.

Any foreign travellers who leave or transit through mainland China after 2 February 2020 (NZ time) will be refused entry to New Zealand.

Any foreign travellers in transit to New Zealand on 2 February 2020 will be subject to enhanced screening on arrival but, pending clearance, will be granted entry to New Zealand.

New Zealand citizens and permanent residents returning to New Zealand will still be able to enter, as will their immediate family members, but will be required to self-isolate for 14 days on arrival back in the country.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade has also raised its travel advice to New Zealanders for all of mainland China to “Do not travel”, the highest level.”

Please continue to refer to the Ministry of Health website for health advice and the latest information: [Novel coronavirus \(2019-nCoV\) guidance – Ministry of Health](#)

Everyone’s health and wellbeing, including international students’, is important to us. While there are no confirmed or suspected cases in New Zealand at the moment, the Ministry of Health continues to encourage a precautionary approach and a focus on good hygiene. Please err on the side of caution and be alert, not alarmed.

Papamoa College does not have any International Students and therefore will not be affected directly by international students returning to New Zealand from China.

However we will continue to remain informed and be on alert.

Regards

Steve Lindsey
Principal