



## **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

Tuesday 21 May, 2019

Dear Parents

### **Teacher's Strike – Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> May – School closed**

**The Board of Trustees have decided to close the school next Wednesday 29 May as the teaching staff will be on strike. There will be no supervision available. Please do not send your children to school.**

New Zealand's principals and primary teachers voted about what to do to get government action on the current crisis in recruiting and retaining teachers and the decision was to go on Strike.

Our school will be closed on that date. While we regret the inconvenience we know this will cause, we need to send a clear message to the Government that we are standing strong for our students.

Through our union, NZEI Te Riu Roa, we are asking for:

- Smaller classes, so our children can get more one-on-one attention
- More resources and staffing to adequately support children with additional learning needs – this will benefit all children because teachers will be freed to spend more one-on-one time with every student
- A significant increase in teachers' salaries so that they are properly valued for their qualifications and responsibilities, and as a country we can recruit and retain teachers.

We appreciate your continued support on this important issue.

God bless

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