

Monday 3 May 2021

Kia ora e te whānau,

Welcome back to school for a new term. I hope you all enjoyed the break from school and had some quality time with your whānau.

The Board called for nominations for new members and we received 3 nominations for the 3 vacancies. This means that we now have a full board. Our new board of trustees members are Abigail Mace, Hone Matthews and Rebecca Reti who will take office on 6 May.

We are thrilled to have people in our community volunteering for these positions and stepping up to ensure that our school works towards the vision of providing a quality education in a caring environment.

Board meetings are public and you are welcome to attend our meetings as a spectator. If you wish to speak or share anything at a Board meeting then you will need to request this in writing prior to the meeting so you can be granted speaking rights. As well as Board meetings, we often hold community consultation meetings where we invite our school community to contribute ideas and give feedback on existing programmes or new initiatives.

This term we will be holding a fono for all interested in our Pasifika plan. Two years ago we invited Pasifika people to give us feedback and we have been added this voice to our strategic plan. Making Pasifika Cultures more visible was one of our goals and having an outdoor classroom built as a fale is on our strategic plan to work towards in 2021.

Please check our website for minutes of meetings, updates on consultations, contact information and dates and venues for our meetings.

As the Presiding Member, I am happy to be contacted about any Board matters via this email address [rbarnett@bis.school.nz](mailto:rbarnett@bis.school.nz)

Ngā mihi nui,

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