



Hutt Central School closed on Wednesday the 15th August

Dear Parent/Caregiver,

You may have seen in the media recently that the secret ballot of primary teacher and principal NZEI Te Riu Roa members from across the country have resulted in a comprehensive vote in favour of a full day strike on Wednesday the 15th August. Therefore, **all primary teacher and principal NZEI members will be on strike from 7am to 7pm on the 15th of August.**

It is the responsibility of the Board of Trustees to make the decision on whether schools should close for the day. In order to make this decision it is important to recognise that in order to get the very best and enriched education for our students we need Teachers who are supported, motivated and appreciated for the work they do.

Therefore, in order to support our Teachers at Hutt Central School and based on the volume of NZEI members at Hutt Central School that will be striking on the day, the Board of Trustees have made the decision to close Hutt Central School for the day.

The Board of Trustees have made this decision a priority, in order to provide parents and caregivers enough time to plan for the day accordingly. The school has spoken with Rainbow Kidz ASC and they are prepared to offer a service for our families to supervise children in the hall on the day of the strike. Should you require further information, please ask the school office for contact details and further information on fees and availability.

In the meantime, should we receive any further updates, we shall inform you promptly. Should you require further information please don't hesitate in contacting the school.

Thank you for your attention and understanding and we hope this action generates the momentum teachers need to improve the current position.

Hutt Central School Board of Trustees.

