

## End of 2024 Board Update

As we head into the Christmas and summer break, the board would like to take a moment to reflect on the year and acknowledge the incredible efforts of our staff. Their dedication and hard work have been instrumental in providing a nurturing and enriching school environment for our students.

A special acknowledgment goes to all of our parent volunteers throughout the year including the Home and School Committee and the many parents who have offered their time and skills at various occasions and events throughout the year.

On 14th November we wrote to you in a HERO post, to you notifying you of the resignations of some school Board members and that, absent significant interest in a bi-election from the community, we intend to fill these vacancies by selection. This process has now concluded with very few people requesting a bi-election. We have, at the same time, heard from a few people keen to serve the school community as parent representatives on the Board.

We are excited to introduce our new board members Katie Clemens- Seely, Deborah Quinn, Jane Clunies - Ross. Their fresh perspectives and enthusiasm will undoubtedly bring positive changes to our school community. We would like to extend our thanks to Nikki and Jacqui for their service and dedication.

The Board will be communicating about donations and fees in the New Year. The school appreciates all donations received. The community's investment, through donations, in the school's Structured Literacy program meant that we were well placed for the focus and roll out of the new structured literacy programme nationwide this year.

Attendance remains a key focus for us and the school encourages all parents to be familiar with the Ministry of Education requirements on attendance. Going to school every day is important for students to develop skills for lifelong learning.

Lastly, it has been a successful year for the property portfolio, and with the completion of several projects we are on top of our maintenance and capital programme. These improvements have enhanced our school facilities and created a better learning environment for our students. The board's focus in 2025 will be on finishing the work on the playground upgrade.

Thank you for your ongoing support. We wish you a restful holiday season.