

BOARDTalk

An update from the Maungaraki School Board of Trustees



Welcome

Welcome to the September 2016 edition of BOARDTalk.

It was with sadness we held our final meeting with Lisa as our school's principal. Lisa has been an outstanding contributor to not only Maungaraki School but to our wider Community. The Board would like to express their sincere thanks to Lisa for her significant contribution to the education of our children and the development of our school over the last five years.

Whāia te iti kahurangi ki te tūohu koe me he maunga teitei.
(Seek the treasure you value most dearly: if you bow your head, let it be to a lofty mountain)

Highlights of the recent BoT meeting included:

Future focussed teaching and learning

The board were updated on the development of the school's future focussed teaching and learning framework. This framework is a core component to the delivery of our strategic plan objectives and the board were very encouraged by the quality of thought which has gone into this work to date. A final document is expected later this year. For an overview of our future focussed strategy please view here: <https://youtu.be/Y1EGrzf9yQU>.

Student Well-Being Survey

The Student Well-being survey was shared with the BOT. The survey is administered to all students and has five questions. Any students who indicated lower scores had time with their teacher to talk through any concerns and what support could be put in place. It was very pleasing to see that across all questions there is a much smaller percentage of students who expressed a concern compared to previous years.

Property

We continue to move forward slowly but surely with the two property projects we are working towards. The **Hard Surfaces Project** is still a wee way off, however we are doing groundwork (literally!) to map out the location and condition of underground services to give us an accurate idea of any preparation work that may need doing. We have also had approval from the Ministry to proceed with the upgrade of the old **dental clinic** and our property manager is procuring updated quotes. We expect work to happen in Term 4.

Next meeting and BoT information

Our next Board of Trustees meeting will be held at 6:00pm on the 26th October in the school staff room. If you would like to raise a matter with the BoT or to attend a meeting please see the school website or contact us for details.

Paul, Phil, Kaylee, Newton, Kerry, Janet and Lisa