



Principal's Comments

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome back to term 3. We trust you have all had a restful break as we embark on another action-packed term. Our focus for the term is performing arts, which ties in nicely with the dance lessons. To kick off our inspiration for the arts, all children will be participating in an arts rotation this Friday. Each class will move around the school (with their teacher) and participate in a variety of experiences. If you have noticed I'm not in my office as much this week, that's because I'm in Room 8 teaching for the next two weeks while Miss Bailey recovers from an operation.

NZEI: Industrial Action Update:

You will be aware from the media that there will be industrial action by members of the NZEI, which is the union that represents teachers, support staff, and principals in primary schools. Please see the statement below from our Board Chairperson, Angela Bingham.

Staff Announcement:

We are sad to announce that Paul O'Halloran will be leaving Dyer Street School. As with any staff member, it is nice to see Paul develop in his career but we will miss having him on staff and in particular his contribution to the development of sport at our school. Paul leaves us at the end of week 3 to return to St Joseph's in Upper Hutt. I'm sure you join me in congratulating him on his new role and wishing him well with the exciting challenges that await him.

Learning Conversations:

Don't forget to book in your learning conversations for next week (Tuesday 31 July and Thursday 1 August). We are wanting 100% turn out! Any teacher can book in the family so please send back the form or contact the office.

Activity Fee Update:

In our notice that came home with reports, we advised you of the need to charge an activity fee to cover the costs of the swimming, dancing, life education visit and the end of year trip. The original cost of this was \$60 per student (or \$30 per term). We are delighted to be able to reduce this through another successful grant. The cost will now be \$40 per student (or \$20 per term). We know that for some families this is still a lot of money and we encourage you to make weekly payments if this suits you better. Thank you to those families who have already paid.

Nga mihi nui

Paula Weston
Principal

Message from the Board of Trustees

Tēnā koutou Dyer Street Community,

I'm writing regarding the recent news of industrial action by the New Zealand Educational Institute (NZEI) teachers union. It's been a while since we've seen industrial action across many of our sections. It's an expected outcome of a change in Government.

As part of ongoing negotiations with the Government, the primary principals and teachers of the NZEI have voted for a 3 hour work stoppage (or strike) on Wednesday 15th of August. As with all negotiations, this notice to strike

may change.

The Dyer Street Board of Trustees has discussed the industrial action and voted to support the rights of Dyer Street teachers, both union and non-union members. We have made provision for the school to be closed and for some alternative care options to be made available.

To ensure you have as much time as possible to be prepared for this potential 3 hour school closure, Paula Weston, our principal will soon communicate the options available to you.

If you do have any questions meanwhile, please email info@dyerstreet.school.nz

Ngā mihi.

Ang Bingham
Dyer Street Board Chair

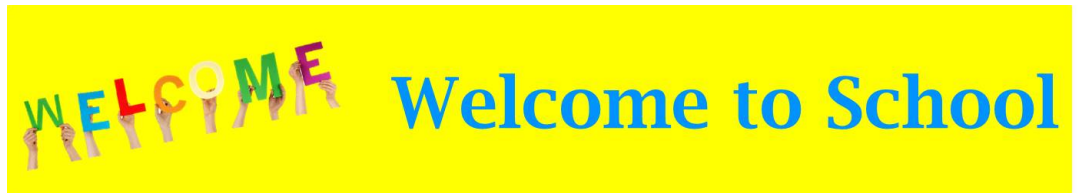


Learning conversations:

Tuesday 31 July & Thursday 1 August - 3:30-8:00 pm

NZEI Industrial action:

15th August - more details to follow



A warm welcome to our new students and their whanau:

Room 1:

Finn

Room 3:

Amelia

Room 7:

Bailee

We hope you enjoy your time at Dyer Street School



2018 School Terms:

Term 1: 31 January - 13 April

Term 2: 30 April - 6 July

Term 3: 23 July - 28 September

Term 4: 15 October - 14 December



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