

Not self, but service. Ko te ratonga te tuatahi, ko koe te tuarua Est. 1925

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#### **Our school**

#### Roll

The school closely monitors roll numbers. The table below sets out our roll for domestic students at the end of August 2018 in comparison to last year

Actual	August 31
2017	942
2018	981

End December 2018 predicted roll (domestic students): 1022

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# **Board of Trustees news**

### **Property developments**

Following the recent announcement by the Ministry of Education that Campbells Bay School would receive 13 new permanent classrooms, the board is now in a position to begin to advance our cohesive property plan to develop a new multipurpose, all-weather turf on the western corner of the field, adjacent to the intended site of the new permanent classroom block.

While the development of the new classrooms will result in the loss of the current netball courts as a play space, the new turf will provide a large replacement play space with all-season functionality.

With the announcement of the MOE-funded new permanent classroom block, we look forward to eventually reclaiming the field space currently occupied by the relocatable classrooms. However, we continue to invest in a largely removable and reusable play space between the relocatable classroom blocks to cater to the needs of our youngest students during the development of the new permanent classrooms. Work to improve the drainage of the field is also being enabled which will further enhance the utility of this important school resource. After some hold-ups, the hall project continues apace and we look forward to being able to use our new and improved hall in 2019.

### Strategic planning

On Saturday 1 September, the Campbells Bay School Board of Trustees met in the school staffroom for the 2018 board retreat. During the annual retreat we take some time away from our usual board agenda to dive more deeply into issues of strategic significance to the school. This is useful as it gives us a chance to reflect on achievements against our strategic plan as well as identify any gaps that need to be addressed.

During the 2018 retreat, we reviewed and refined our strategic plan, making changes to the third pillar concerning community and stakeholder relations (see page 2 for the updated strategic plan). Deputy Principal, Rachael Taylor presented comprehensive student achievement data compiled by the Associate Principals which we avidly interrogated and found to be robust and demonstrative of continuous improvement in teaching and learning.

The Principal's **sabbatical research document** concerning optimal school size was also keenly discussed and the importance of sharing this document with both the school community and the wider community of educators was recognised. Please watch for information (provided in term four) about how to access this document. Staff recruitment and retention, one of the major threats currently facing our school, was also an important topic of strategic planning.

## **Strategic Plan 2018 - 2020**



# **Policy update**

Earlier this year the board signed up with SchoolDocs which is an online policy and procedures service for schools. This enables the board, staff and parents to access all of Campbells Bay School's policy documents online. These policy documents are tailored for our school. Policies are reviewed regularly by all school communities across New Zealand (over 840 schools have joined up) so that everyone has a say in sensible policy making - each policy review is collaborative and rigorous. Parents can access these policies and procedures at www.schooldocs.co.nz Search for Campbells Bay School and then enter the community user name (campbellsbay) and password (service).

## Teaching days and industrial action

The board has investigated any impact that the industrial action taken by teachers in August might have on the length of our school year. We have been advised by the New Zealand School Trustees Association that, even taking into account the industrial action, we are still meeting minimum teaching day requirements. Therefore the industrial action will not have an impact on our terms dates for this year.

## **Mulan magic**

The board congratulates all those involved in the Campbells Bay School production of Disney's Mulan Junior. This superb production was the culmination of much hard work by all our year 5 and 6 students and their teachers. Special thanks are due to Producer, John McGowan, Director, Gabrielle Hobin, Director of Music, Sharon Knight as well as staff members taking responsibility for other important production roles: Charlotte Borowski, Rebecca Brown, Esther Frauenstein, Sarah Geelan, Jo Haslemore, Rachelle Meller, Fred Nu'u, Rob Padgett, Sarah Sweeney and Sarah Whitaker.