



## **TITAHİ BAY SCHOOL - KURA KIDS are Believers and Achievers**

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The Board of Trustees wish to inform the Titahi Bay School community that the school will be closed all day on Friday 16 November due to NZEI industrial strike action. The majority of our teaching staff are NZEI members and, as per their legal right under the Employment Relations Act, they are taking strike action as they seek to address workload issues, extra learning support for students and ways to stem the growing crisis in recruiting and retaining teachers. All NZEI members will be on strike from 7am until 7pm on Friday 16 November.

As per legislative requirements, the school must be either fully open or fully closed and the Board has made the decision to be closed, rather than seeking to staff the school with a high percentage of unfamiliar, non-union member relief staff. As such, there will be no supervisory option for students at school. We understand the disruption this causes - we are all parents too. Our YMCA After School Care will be open and we encourage you to contact them as soon as possible if you wish to book your child(ren) in for the day. You can contact them on:

Phone: 02108299256 [titahibay@ymcawellington.org.nz](mailto:titahibay@ymcawellington.org.nz)

We apologise for the disruption this causes but consider it important to support our teaching staff in this action. Our teachers were outside school on Friday 2 November with information sheets so hopefully you got one of them.

Kind regards

Sarah Campbell, Gaby Wesley-Smith, Scott Hemsley, Lynette Singh, Ria Tomoana, Leanne Parsons, Anna McGavin