



Trentham School

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Dear Parents & Caregivers

TEACHER PAID UNION MEETING Monday 18 March, 1.30pm

You may remember that teachers and principals took strike action twice last year to send a message to the Government that more needed to be done to fix the teacher shortage and make teaching a more sustainable and attractive profession.

After conversations with government in January, our union, NZEI Te Riu Roa, has agreed to return to formal negotiations with the Ministry. Any progress in negotiations will be reported to teachers and principals at paid union meetings around the country in the week of March 18-22. These meetings will be held during school time.

The meeting for our teachers will be held on Monday 18 March at 1.30pm. Normal classroom instruction will not be continuing during this afternoon. Our teaching staff are members of NZEI and legally entitled to attend this meeting.

As the majority of our teaching staff will be unavailable on this afternoon, we ask you to please pick up your children at 12.30pm or make other arrangements for your children. Some limited supervision will be available to parents who find this impossible. Please complete the slip below or contact the school by Wednesday 13 March so that we can arrange supervision for your child.

We apologise for any potential disruption to you and your child's routine on the day of the meeting and thank you for your cooperation and assistance.

Suzanne Su'a
Principal



Paid Union Meeting - Monday 18 March 2019

I am unable to make arrangements for my child(ren) on Monday 18 March in the afternoon and therefore require supervision for my child(ren) at school.

Child: _____ Room: _____

Child: _____ Room: _____

Child: _____ Room: _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____
(Parent/Caregiver)