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Kia Ora, Greetings

You might be aware already that the membership of the primary teachers union - Te Riu Roa NZEI - have voted for a **full day strike** on **Wednesday 15 August**. Our Board of Trustees Chair, Michelle Topp, has advised me that **our school will be closed for instruction on Wednesday 15 August**. Further, because we are not able to provide sufficient staffing to safely supervise children, we will not be providing supervision for any children on that day.

We realise this is a considerable inconvenience for families. Recent newsletters have outlined the reasons for considering industrial action. I have listed these below. Please be aware that the over-riding aim is that teaching becomes a better supported and resourced profession which enables teachers to provide more for our children.

#### WHAT WE ARE CAMPAIGNING FOR?

1. More teachers – so your children can get more attention
2. More resources/staff to support children with additional learning needs
3. A pay increase to salaries for teachers to address the teacher shortage – to help attract sufficient teachers for our growing population.

Please make alternative arrangements for your child on Wednesday 15 August. School will be closed.

We appreciate your patience and support.

Thank you

Geoff Siave  
Principal