



Hello Muritai Families,

The Muritai School Board held its regular Board Meeting recently. It was great to get back in the rhythm of in-person board meetings, with another full agenda. The meeting ran efficiently with good discussions.

Congratulations to Maureen Buckley, now 20 years at Muritai School.

The Board would like to acknowledge and congratulate Maureen Buckley, our acting Principal, who has been at Muritai School for 20 wonderful years.

Maureen of course would prefer to let these things slide by, but the board and community will want to take this opportunity to congratulate Maureen and reflect on the journey Maureen has been on and continues with Muritai School. Many of our Parent community will remember Maureen when they attended Muritai School as children and have their own stories and memories of this time.

Maureen has been a great link between the school and community for all these years, and to this day you will get a big warm smile as she greets the children and parents into the school. Thank you Maureen for being you.

No doubt our parents and caregivers will want to say their own congratulations when you see Maureen next and we are in the process of arranging something special for Maureen to celebrate her 20 years for next term.

Recruitment for our next Principal

Our robust process to recruit our next Principal of Muritai School moves to the next phase, with our advert now in key places, including a large advert in the Education Gazette, which is the number one place for it to be seen. We have also released our updated School video which you might have seen on our Muritai Facebook page and School website <https://www.muritai.school.nz/> which will give potential applicants a bit more of a flavor of our school and it's unique position here in Eastbourne, the center of the community, nestled between the sea and hills.

The board will be meeting early July to work through candidate applications, with an all day meeting planned for later July for interviewing the short-listed candidates. The board is confident, through our clear process, that we will find an amazing new Principal for our wonderful school.

Anyone interested in seeing the full advert, the link is here:

<https://gazette.education.govt.nz/vacancies/1HAUdD-principal/?search=primary-intermediate-kura-tuatahi%3FKeywords%3DMuritai%2BSchool%23results>

Muritai School 125th

The celebration of Muritai School's 125 years will be held in the 126th year 2023 (date to be confirmed).

The project to make this an amazing event has been re-started, now that we can have the community back into our school. You would have seen in last week's newsletter that anyone wishing to join the project team to help bring this amazing celebration together should contact Maureen Buckley on buckley@muritai.school.nz

Hall Refurbishment Project

Lastly, the hall and kitchen refurbishment project rolls on. You will see the Home & School committee are fundraising through various ways to fund the new kitchen appliances. The board thanks the Home & School committee and our parent / caregiver community for supporting their fundraising efforts.

Warm wishes

Muritai School Board

Kaye, Maureen, Andrew, Jeremy, Kurt, Lisa and Felicity.