

# LEVIN INTERMEDIATE

*Respectful, Responsible, Resourceful*

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Dear Parents/Caregivers

Term 2 has started well with our students carrying on where they left off last term. The events of each term are captured in a visual way on our Facebook page so we encourage you to follow LIS on Facebook. It is here where we post regular pictures and notices highlighting what is happening at school. This term, like the first, is a busy one, filled with a number of sports and cultural activities. Approximately 70 students are participating in JRock this term. I've lost count of how many netball players we have and our numbers for our Pasifika, Kapa Haka and Mana Tane groups are strong. As always, we encourage our students to get involved in as many activities as they can. Our major inquiry this term is called Reduce, Reuse and Recycle. Students will learn about the different ways people use these practices in their lives and will be challenged to come up with their own actions that help reduce, reuse or recycle. If you can help in anyway with this work please let us know.

## **Board of Trustee Elections**

An important event for the school is the Board of Trustee elections. You will have received information in the post along with a nomination form this week. School boards play a critically important role in New Zealand's schools. Our boards need people who have the skills to ask the right questions and make the necessary decisions to influence and support educational opportunities for each and every student in our school. Being a school trustee is an important role that needs people with a range of skills and experiences, who can make a positive difference to our children's learning. It is important that the board reflects its community therefore we need a good balance of gender, ethnicity and skills around the board table.

We encourage you to consider putting your name forward to be nominated for election.

## **Health Curriculum Survey**

In the coming weeks we will be sending out a survey to families to gather feedback on your views on our Health curriculum.

## **Education Review Office**

The school will host a team from the Education Review Office (ERO) in the first week of June. ERO visit schools periodically to review their performance and provide feedback on ways we can work more effectively.

## **School Reports and 3 Way Conferences**

Teachers have been preparing reports on your child's progress this year. These will be ready to share with you in a fortnight's time. The reports are shared with you at a 3 way conference, involving yourself, the student and their teacher. A separate notice will come out next week which will allow you to book a time to meet with your child's teachers.

***EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS – BE ON TIME, BE THERE BY 9***

Martin James  
Principal