



# West Melton School

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Kia ora koutou

We need your help! The Board of Trustees is about to undertake a strategic review to determine West Melton School children's education needs for the future. It's incredibly important to us that we understand your personal aspirations for your child so that we can help the school prioritise its focus for all our learners.

On Tuesday 17 September we will be hosting a wine and cheese evening at the school where we will have a workshop-style discussion - we would love as many parents as possible to be there.

This year we have had a reasonably low turnout to parent events held at the school - we know life is busy and some nights just don't suit but we believe this is a critical topic for our school community and it's a great opportunity for you to tell us what your hopes are for your children while they are at West Melton School. We can make effective goals, priorities and track progress if we know what you think.

On the evening we will be asking:

- **What skills, abilities, and attributes do you want your child to have by the time they leave our school?**
- **Thinking ahead, what are the greatest concerns you have regarding your child's future and their learning needs?**
- **How can we as a school work more effectively with you in your child's learning?**
- **Given the previous three questions, what do you think should be the greatest priorities for the school over the next 5 years?**

As well as the parent discussion next Tuesday we will also be asking Year 5 - 8 students to interview their parents one on one to discuss the questions - this is a great opportunity for you to talk about school with your kids and set some aspirations together.

As we gather feedback from you, the Board will work through setting the learning goals. We make a commitment to report back to you about the feedback received and what we are doing to implement effective change during Term 4. If you'd like to know more about the evening in advance please contact a Board member or speak to Sue or Tracey.

We look forward to seeing you on Tuesday 17th, 7pm starting with nibbles in the Manuka Community.

Nga Mihi, hei te Rātū.

West Melton School Board of Trustees

