

1<sup>st</sup> August 2018

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

You are probably aware of the negotiations that have been underway between the Ministry of Education and the New Zealand Educational Institute (NZEI). The NZEI represents primary school teachers and principals from all over New Zealand.

The teachers would like the Ministry to address the current crisis in staffing, resourcing, recruiting and retaining of teachers in the profession to provide the best education for our children.

Industrial (strike) action is planned for the 15th of August all day. We will be in touch with more information about the day soon.

You are invited to come to the staffroom during Student-led conferences. We will have more information available there for you to read. Help yourself to coffee or tea and a few nibbles while you read about the NZEI campaign.

Regards

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## **IT'S TIME YOUR CHILDREN HAD THE EDUCATION THEY DESERVE**

You send your children to school to help set them up for life. Yet, schools are facing a teacher shortage crisis, with a 40% drop in people training to be teachers; and a growing number of school-aged children. Schools are struggling to find enough staff to teach our children.

There is also a desperate need for more support for children with additional learning needs. There just aren't enough teachers to give your kids the education they deserve.

### **WHAT WE ARE CAMPAIGNING FOR?**

- \* **More teachers – so your kids can get more attention**
- \* **More resources/staff to support children with additional learning needs**
- \* **A pay jolt to salaries for teachers to address the teacher shortage – so that your children will have a teacher in the future**

### **SHOW YOUR SUPPORT!**

Let your teachers know you support them and join in campaign activities at your local school.

# #TeacherTruths

"THE TRUTH IS, YOUR CHILD'S  
TEACHER..."

HAS PROBABLY  
WOKEN UP AT  
3 AM WITH AN  
EPIPHANY ABOUT  
HOW TO HELP  
YOUR CHILD  
REMEMBER THAT  
MATHS STRATEGY

#ITSNOTJUSTABOUTPAY

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