

Sunnybrae Normal School

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Dear Parents and Caregivers

Sunnybrae Normal School One Day Strike Closure

The NZEI has advised the Sunnybrae Normal School Board of Trustees that teachers at our school will be taking strike action on Monday 12th November 2018 from 7:00 am to 7:00 pm.

Following a review, our assessment has not changed since the last strike action and, therefore, the Board has made the decision that the school will need to close during this strike. In reaching this decision, the Board has carefully considered the availability of teaching staff, the ability of the school to deliver normal teaching services, and most importantly provide a controlled and safe environment for our students during the strike period.

It is important that you make alternative arrangements for the care of your child/children on the day of the strike. I know that this is inconvenient for parents and students alike, but please be assured that student safety is our main concern.

Thank you for your understanding.

Please contact me or our Principal, Lorene Hurd, if you have any queries relating to this decision.

Please contact the Minister of Education, the Honorable Chris Hipkins, (c.hipkins@ministers.govt.nz) if you are concerned that strikes may continue to interrupt the education of our children because of an inadequate offer on pay and conditions for teachers.

Yours sincerely,

Terry Sugrue Chairman Board of Trustees