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*Caring About Others*

*Doing My Best*

*Caring About Our Environment*

*Respecting Others*

27 January, 2017.

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

On behalf of the Board of Trustees and staff I would like to welcome you back to a new year at Waitara East School.

**The Board is happy to announce the appointment of Perrie Topia as Principal of Waitara East School..**

At present Perrie is Primary Principal of Emirates National School in Abu Dhabi. Perrie is from Dargaville and is married to a local Waitara girl and has two boys aged 2 and 7 months. His appointment will commence on 17 July, 2017. Current work commitments and his contract make this the earliest time he can start. Perrie visited the school during the first week of the holidays and was very impressed with our school so decided to apply for the Principal position.

I would also like to remind you that we have Luke Mattock starting as Deputy Principal this week. Luke will be Acting Principal for these two terms. We also have Eric Shaw as Principal Support during this time. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact the office.

Due to the Building Improvement work we are having done we moved Room 1 over to Room 12 and Room 2 to the Library for this first two terms.

**Classroom Teachers for 2017 are:**

Room	Year	Teacher	Room	Year	Teacher
<b>Senior School</b>					
12	5/6	Shelley Cook	9	5/6	Adrienne Maxwell
Library	4/5	Stuart Steenson	3	3/4	Luke Mattock (Deputy Principal)
<b>Bilingual Unit</b>					
4	4/5/6	Vickie Kahupukoro (Assistant Principal)			
11	2/3/4	Toti Ritete-Tuhua	10	0/1/2	Deleraine Puhara
<b>Junior School</b>					
5	0/1	Denise Tutaki	6	1/2	Megan Oliver
7	2/3	Lestine Nevin	8	2/3	Michelle Lucibella

We look forward to an exciting 2017.

Lyn Doody,

**BOARD CHAIRPERSON**