

BOT Letter to Community November 2021

Kia ora TNIS Community, Parents and Caregivers and Staff,

We are writing to confirm that our Principal, Wendy Sandifer, has this week resigned her position at TNIS at the end of the 2021 school year. Wendy has taken a position as foundation Principal of Milldale School north of Silverdale, a position she will commence on 1st January 2022. The Board has accepted Wendy's resignation.

Our school community has been very fortunate to have Wendy at TNIS for the last four years and over this time she has become a highly regarded and respected leader for staff and learners alike. We are extremely grateful for Wendy's dedication to ensuring successful learner outcomes for all our learners, and supporting our staff to be highly motivated and positive contributors to our school culture.

The Board has this week commenced an appointment process working with a professional education-focused agency to support us in the recruitment process. While we manage the transition to a new principal appointment, we are fortunate to have Kate Watson who will step up to the role of interim Principal, supported by Sandy Harford in her role as Deputy Principal.

The Board is confident that with the shared senior leadership team of Wendy, Kate and Sandy over the last few years, there will be a high level of continuity to lead our school with Kate and Sandy until the new principal is appointed.

We are sure that you join the Board in our heartfelt thanks to Wendy for her significant contribution to our school and community. We will work with the school to arrange an appropriate farewell for Wendy, within Covid19 protocols, in due course.

As we await formal government decisions and further information around a return to school, please continue to take care of one another in your bubble. We will continue to support your families in any way that we can.

Kia Kaha.

Board of Trustees, Takapuna Normal Intermediate School

Victoria Mahan (Chairman), Russell Clements (Deputy Chair), Kirsten Nevile, Tony Kelly, John Stenberg, Kevin Elmes (Staff Representative) and Wendy Sandifer