



Adventure School

10 May 2022

Kia ora tatou e te whānau

I announced to the B.O.T. last night my decision to retire effective 5th August 2022 (Friday week two of term three). There will be a little more info in this week's and in subsequent newsletters.

It is not sensible to stay at a school for nearly ten years - in either a well-being or professional sense - unless you have a deep affinity for the students, the staff and the parents in the school community you become part of. My experience over ten years has been positive, enjoyable and professionally rewarding.

We have been governed by successively outstanding Boards, supported by outstanding PTNi's and parent volunteers. This school is in great heart, so it is a good time to bow out.

Thank you for your kind support over the years, particularly during the difficult times of lockdown and red light restrictions.

Ngā Mihi

John Wootton

A message from the Board of Trustees

Kia ora Adventure whānau

It's with mixed feelings the Board has accepted John's resignation as he's let you know about above. We are excited for John to be taking on the role of grandfather, supporting his family as they grow and developing the next stage of life - albeit he's not quite let on what that is just yet.

We also reflect on John's significant mahi at Adventure, the mana he leads with and how we, along with many others, will miss that.

John has been with Adventure for nearly 10 years, having overseen significant roll growth, introduction of play-based learning, numerous construction projects and the management of the COVID pandemic. We have been impressed with his calm leadership approach, focus on child wellbeing and championing of staff throughout all of this.

We will miss your welcomes and farewells at the gate John, we'll miss the ukulele, and we'll miss the manaaki you provide to all in our Adventure community.

The Board will now begin working through the recruitment process for our new Principal.

Nga mihi

Mark Frew

Board Chair on behalf of the Board