

22 June 2017

To: Parents and Caregivers of Year 6 students



Dear Parents and Caregivers of Year 6 students

Welcome to Royal Oak Intermediate School.

Our school motto reads *Rere hau I nga wa o mua, piki atu inaiane, tere kite wa e heke mai nei*. Gliding from the past, rising in the present and soaring to the future. Through this we promote the holistic development of your child, providing them with the values and initiatives necessary to be a strong, self-managing, twenty-first century learner. We meet this challenge by blending stimulating learning experiences with academic rigour and creative opportunities in a differentiated learning approach for every student.

We have high expectations for all learners, which is expressed through the Royal Oak Way: Ka Rere – To Fly. Rere is the Maori word for fly and it is also an acronym that lists our core values of **Respect, Excellence, Resilience** and **Empathy**. These four values permeate through all facets of life at Royal Oak Intermediate.

At the beginning of next term Royal Oak Intermediate will have a new Principal, Ross Devereux. Ross is currently the Associate Principal at Manurewa Intermediate School. Ross has been described as a “dynamic, enthusiastic, inclusive and dedicated leader with a real commitment and interest and involvement with students and the community.” The Board of Trustees is convinced of Ross’s ability to uphold our Ka Rere values and open up the future for your children.

Year 6 TRANSITION MEETINGS 26 JULY TO 4 AUGUST

We will visit the local primary schools during weeks 1 and 2 next term to speak with and deliver the prospectus to each child likely to attend Royal Oak Intermediate. Visits to the schools will be as follows:

Wednesday 26 th July pm Te Papapa	Thursday 27 th July pm Oranga	Friday 28 th July am Favona
Tuesday 1 st August pm Onehunga	Wednesday 2 nd August am Mangere Bridge	
Thursday 3 rd August am Waterlea	Friday 4 th August am Royal Oak	

Year 6 Parent Evening 6.30pm, Thursday 3 August

There will be an Open Evening for Year 6 parents and students on Thursday 3 August at 6.30pm in the library. This will begin with a brief presentation about the school followed by an opportunity to mix and mingle with staff and student councillors. There will be a variety of displays detailing many of the activities which take place in our school. Supper will be served during the evening. We look forward to seeing you there.

Year 6 Open Morning 9.00am to 12.00pm, Wednesday 9 August

For Year 6 children and their parents who would like to experience what education is like at Royal Oak Intermediate, we are holding an Open Morning during which time senior staff and student councillors will be available to show you around our school.

Applications for Enrolment and Out of Zone Applications

In order to plan effectively for 2018 we would like all enrolment applications **by 15th October 2017**. This date is also the final date for Out of Zone Applications. The ballot date for Out of Zone Applications is **30th October 2017**.

Orientation Days Thursday 16th November and Thursday 23rd November

On Thursdays 16th and 23rd November we will be hosting Year 6 students who have enrolled at our school, enabling them to familiarise themselves with the school and spend some time in classrooms experiencing how teaching and learning happens here as well as the many extra opportunities available for students to be involved in.

We look forward to working with you to ensure a smooth transition from your child’s primary school to Royal Oak Intermediate School.

Stuart Myers
Acting Principal