



**ROYAL OAK
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Press release

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Tena koutou katoa.

The Board of Trustees at Royal Oak Intermediate School is delighted to announce the appointment of Ross Devereux as our new Principal who will join us at the start of Term 3. This appointment is the culmination of a thorough process undertaken by all members of the Board over several months.

Ross is currently the Associate Principal at Manurewa Intermediate School. Last year he led the school as Acting Principal while Principal Iain Taylor, went to Wellington to be the NZ Principals' Federation President. Manurewa Intermediate School has this year been awarded a four to five year education review from the Education Review Office (ERO). The Principal there gives much of the credit for this outstanding achievement to Ross, as Acting Principal during 2016. 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."

Ross has a Post Graduate Diploma in Teaching and Learning from Christchurch College of Education and a Diploma in Jazz Studies also. Ross began his teaching career in Music in 2003 and worked previously at Lincoln High School and Avondale College before joining Manurewa Intermediate in 2011. He quickly rose through the ranks to Deputy Principal in 2012, Associate Principal in 2014 and Acting Principal in 2016.

The Board will truly miss Principal Derek Linington and we acknowledge that our teachers, whanau and students will too. We are convinced of Ross's ability to uphold our Ka Rere values and lead our school, to ensure that Royal Oak Intermediate students continue to glide from the past, rise in the present and soar to the future.

Nau mai, haere mai.

Mrs Erina Kent

Board Chair,

Royal Oak Intermediate School

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