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Dear Parents and Caregivers

Reminder - Teachers Strike – 12th November 2018

New Zealand's principals and primary teachers have just voted about what to do to get government action on the current crisis in recruiting and retaining teachers.

We're agreed - we can't in good conscience accept the Government's latest collective agreement offer because it does not begin to address the crisis.

New Zealand's principals and primary teachers voted for an unprecedented second strike, to be held next week. There will be nationwide rolling strikes over a week, and our region will be striking on **Monday 12 November**.

Our school will not be providing normal teaching services during the strike on that date. If this is difficult we can still supervise a small number of students if required by non-union members. Please contact the office to indicate if your child needs to attend school that day. Students requiring supervision will need to report to the hall on arrival.

While we regret the inconvenience we know this will cause, we need to send a clear message to the Government that we are standing strong for our students.

Already children's education is suffering because of the difficulty in recruiting teachers and relievers, and we must take bold steps to turn this around.

We appreciate your continued support on this important issue. For more information, please go to <http://campaigns.nzei.org.nz/time/>

Yours sincerely,

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Principal