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School**
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To Parents and Caregivers,

The Board of Trustees has been working to align the school budget against our Charter and Learning Objectives for 2018.

Subsidies related to the School Bus:- Karapiro School recently has been working with the Ministry of Education as they re-evaluate the School Transport Entitlement Zones (TEZ's). Ministry Funds bus travel for students based on their home location and proximity to the school they attend.

Several years ago, the school implemented a number of initiatives to grow the school role, including a decision to heavily subsidise the bus to bring students outside of the School TEZ to Karapiro School. Since that time the roll has grown significantly and is nearing capacity. Approximately 12% of Karapiro School Students outside the TEZ currently utilise the bus regularly. Bus subsidies currently cost the school just under \$10,000, the board has made a considered decision that a more equitable use of these funds would be to utilise them for learning resources across all students.

Accordingly, the board wishes to communicate that effective Term 1, 2018, it will no longer subsidise the bus service provided by Cambridge Travel Lines. The funds will be directed towards student learning resources.

The board has communicated directly with all families affected by this change beginning 2018. The board wishes to make it clear bus services are still available to families outside the TEZ in line with the Ministry conditions, but that the cost of the service will have to be met by them. Those students who are in the school TEZ will continue to receive free bus transport.

Families regularly using the bus will have already received some independent information related to their eligibility. Any families considering utilising the bus services (regardless of attendance at Karapiro School) for travel are encouraged to contact Cambridge Travel Lines directly to discuss their needs for 2018. Further details can be provided by Vicky, Cambridge Travel Lines 07 827 7363.

Opportunity to join the Board – Rachael Seavill has confirmed that she will step down from her position on the Board. Rachel's youngest child will complete their time at Karapiro School at the end of this year and Rachael feels it is in the best interest of the School to allow other members of our community the opportunity to

become part of the Karapiro School board. Thank you Rachael for your support and contribution to Karapiro School in your capacity as a Board member for both terms that you have stood. Your attention to matters of the Board, have been tremendous. Your support and commitment will be greatly missed.

The Board must now select to fill this casual vacancy. Please find the general announcement after this letter. The Board would like to publicly invite all interested individuals for the position to contact myself to register their interest. I would be happy to answer any questions that you may have.

Best Regards,

David Rutter
Karapiro School
On behalf of the Board of Trustees

Notice to Fill Casual Vacancy Karapiro School Board of Trustees

Karapiro School
Board of Trustees
Casual Vacancy for an elected trustee

A casual vacancy has occurred on the board of trustees for an elected parent representative.

The board has resolved under section 105 of the Education Act 1989 to fill the vacancy by selection.

If ten percent or more of eligible voters on the school roll ask the board, within 28 days of this notice being published, to hold a by-election to fill the vacancy, then a by-election will be held.

Any eligible voter who wishes to ask the board to hold a by-election should write to:

Chairperson
Karapiro School Board of Trustees
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by: 7th December 2017