



Board Talk

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Hi and welcome to the second Board Talk of the Marshland School Board of Trustees for 2017. The purpose of this publication is to keep the community informed about some of the things we are working on as a Board of Trustees during the year. We hope to put a board talk out once a term to share some of the things we are working on and celebrate some of the successes of the term.

Introducing Debby Rosevear

My name is Debby Rosevear and I am the Chairperson of the Board. I have been on the board for 11 years, but have actually been involved with Marshland School for 17 years, as my 3 children have all been taught by the wonderful past and present staff here. Currently I am on the Finance Committee and when required, I am part of the Personnel Committee as well as overseeing the Board activities in my role as Chairperson. The skills I bring to my role on the board are varied. I have a Banking and Finance background. I have also worked in Tertiary Education as an Operations Manager for 5 years where I was heavily involved in compliance and the general running of a College.

It has been a pleasure to work on the Board with other Board Members past and present who have been committed to what is best for all of our children and the school future. I would also like to thank Jacqui and her team for all the hard work that they do. For me, seeing our children achieve is the most rewarding part of the role.

ERO Review

The Board were delighted with our very successful Education Review Office review. We received the highest grading (a 4 - 5 year return). We want to thank Jacqui, the teachers and staff for the tremendous hard work they have put in to make such a successful transition from our old

school, and for managing the significant growth so successfully, so that our children are receiving the best educational opportunities.

Re Sowing of Field and Irrigation

After many meetings, the Ministry have decided to resow our field and install irrigation which we are very much looking forward to. This will take place in September and will be a good time to grow grass. The irrigation plans look complex and the end result should allow us to keep the field in great condition year round.

New Van

The new van has arrived and it looks fantastic! Thank you to the boxing committee who organised the event and the contestants who made the purchase of a van possible. It will be a great asset to the school and will make transport options easier for groups. Thankyou to Paul Reeves from SignBiz for signwriting the van free of charge.



Kapa Haka

The new Kapa Haka uniforms look great and will make our group stand out at the Cultural Festival next month. It is a real honour to be accepted into the Cultural Festival and the group has been busy practising their routine. The new uniforms were made possible through a grant from Huakina Mai.

SCG group

The School Community Group meet once or twice a term and have been doing a great job recently of organising events to raise funds for projects around the School. New members are always welcome with details of meetings published on the School Facebook page. Their big project this year is to raise money for Blackout curtains for the hall and they are on target to achieve this goal. Examples of events held this year include discos, hotdogs, chocolates and bake sales.

Leaders trip

Last month the school leaders took part in a leaders day in Wellington. They did very well raising the funds for their trip. On the day they visited the Beehive and spent some time with Labour MP Poto Williams before visiting Te Papa. They also spent time with the Mayor of Wellington Justin Lester who is known to be a very progressive leader. The day was a real success and hopefully it can be a regular feature in the School year. Thank you to Rebecca Osborn and her team who organised the trip as well as the various people who helped with fundraising and donations.

We hope you all have a great mid year break.

Marshland School Board of Trustees.