

Waikaretu School
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Tēnā koe,

The Board of Trustees would like to thank you for your application to be the principal of our school.

Waikaretu is located towards the West Coast in the NW reaches of the Waikato - 70 km NW of Hamilton and 49 km SW from Tuakau.

Our new members of staff - principal, teacher and office administrator - will find they have a very supportive board to work with. We also have a hard-working Parent Help Group (PHG) that supports our school in many ways. We appreciate the importance of the partnership between home and school and we actively encourage parents to become involved with the school in any way they can.

Our full-primary school (Years 1-8) has a friendly rural feel and our new colleagues and friends will appreciate the peaceful environment they will be working and perhaps living in. Our far-sighted boards since 1990 have held on to the school house which will be available to one or more of the successful applicants. This position would be perfect for a principal and teacher couple who would like live and work here while saving for their own home.

We are very proud of our school and the education we provide our children. We have kept up with educational advances over the years and we pride ourselves that we have established and maintain high expectations. Our ERO report (November 2016) - with a three-year cycle - was very well deserved and shows our curriculum delivery to be of a high standard. Do read our "Welcome" section in our school website – www.waikaretu.school.nz.

The values we promote are Respect (manaakitanga), Responsibility (Pono) and Resilience (Rangitiratanga).

We invite applicants to send in their application material and to be assured that the Board is going to appoint according to the State Sector Act – the "best person for the job". All applicants will be notified as to their progress very soon after decisions have been made.

We appreciate your interest and look forward to meeting you through the process.

Nga mihi

Sam Welch
Chairperson
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