ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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RE: NZEI Teachers Union Meeting

As we head into negotiations for the Primary Teachers' Collective Agreement, we'll be standing together for our students and for an education system that values, attracts and retains the amazing teachers who are entrusted with the education of our children.

Throughout the negotiations it's important that every member has their say in this crucial campaign. Our students are worth it and so are we.

This means freeing teachers to teach so every child receives the personal attention they need to learn and thrive. It means freeing principals to focus on leading and it means ensuring we have enough teachers by attracting more people to teaching, by respecting them as professionals and paying them properly.

Our students come to school to learn all the skills and abilities that they'll need to grow up healthy, happy and productive in the 21st century. Our nation can afford to ensure every child receives the education they need to succeed in life, and for every educator to be trusted and resourced to make that a reality. It's simply a matter of priorities.

We are asking for parents to please collect their children from St Joseph's School at the earlier time of 1pm on Friday 29th June so that our teachers can attend this Union Meeting. The school will not be officially closed, as a limited number of staff will be remaining behind to look after any students who are unable to be collected at 1pm.

We appreciate this is a disruption for families and apologise in advance for any stress caused.

Kind regards

Andrew Herrick

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Please fill in form below and return to your child's teacher by 3pm Thursday 28th June.

On Friday 29th June _____ of Room _____

Will be collected from school at 1.00pm □

Will attend After School Care from 1.00pm □

Will catch school bus (at normal time) □

Has permission to leave school (eg: walk home, walk to parent's work) □

Parent name_____   Parent signature _____