

20 November 2019

Dear Akaroa Area School Community,

### **2020 Classes**

Class arrangements for 2020 have been confirmed and will be as follows:

Lead Teacher for Years 0 -3 Mrs Rachel Maclaughlin

Lead Teacher for Years 4 – 6: Mrs Lisa Denton-Jones

The current flexible movement between Pohatu and Hinewai classes will continue as it is to allow students to work in groups that best support and extend their learning. It has also been observed that working as part of a mixed year group often brings out the best in students.

Lead Core Subject Teacher for Years 7 and 8: Ms Deb Lean – and Specialist Subject Teachers will provide programmes in other subjects

Years 9 and 10 will be combined as in previous years. This approach facilitates collaborative project-based teaching and learning and the alignment of programmes for students.

Years 11 and 12 will be combined for the majority of classes as there is alignment of the programmes for these students

Year 13 will have separate classes.

### **Decile Review and Government Donations Grant**

The school has been successful in its application for a review of its decile rating and is now classified as Decile 7. This means that the school can access the \$150.00 per student funding from the government. Information on how this payment will be applied and what activity costs may still be sought from parents and caregivers will be provided by the school shortly. I would like to thank the school community for participating in the survey that allowed the school to complete the application.

Yours sincerely,

Ray Bygate and Nicola Hornsey