

Dear Parents

Welcome back to MPS for 2018.

This is my second year teaching at Methven Primary. Previously travelling for two years, living and teaching in London and working as a governess in the Australian Outback. Prior to travelling, I worked at Ohoka School for three years.

We are really looking forward to teaching in Opuke this year. We have the same team of teachers working together; Keryn Hooker, Rosie Robinson, Adele Warburton, Sue Monk and Hannah Grant. Hannah will continue as the Team 4 Release Teacher which will see her in Opuke at least one day a week. Rosie Robinson/Keryn Hooker and Adele have a composite Year 5/6 classes too. Sue Monk will be in Opuke full time to support the teaching and learning programmes.

Allergies: Please ensure that we know about any food or environment allergies that your child might have.

**Swimming:** We will begin daily swimming in Week 1 of the term. Swimming is not an option, it is part of the Health and Physical Education Curriculum. If your child is not swimming for some reason please send a note to school. When the date of swimming sports comes to our attention we will communicate this with you ASAP.

**Stationery:** We will clearly name books and stationery when the children come to school. Each child will be given a space to safely store their items.

**Technology:** To ensure we get to know the children we will be in our home classes learning for the first two weeks. We won't begin using devices until the second week onwards.

If you have any queries or concerns about your child's learning the best way is to contact me through email so we can arrange a meeting or phone call.

My door is always open for a talk before or after school.

Kind regards,

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