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Tēnā koutou, te whanau o te kura Kapakapanui

As I retire, I would like to take the opportunity to thank the community of Kapanui School for the privilege of working with you and your children. I have always felt supported by the school community and the Board of trustees.

Special thanks to Charles Norwood all the Board chairs whom I have worked closely with. Also many thanks to the hard working members of the fund raising and support groups who provide many opportunities and resources for our children.

I would like to pay special tribute to all the staff both current and past who have been part of the Kapanui family. Together as a team, we have worked hard to provide the students of Kapanui School with a successful and an enjoyable primary education in a safe and caring environment.

Thank you also to all the visitors, presenters and children who took part in my final retirement assembly. A very special occasion for my whanau and me.

Andrea and I are looking forward to retirement, which will begin with a cruise in the Baltic up to St Petersburg and then a month house sitting in Kent, England. Once we are back we will be looking forward to the birth of a new grandchild.

Kapanui will always have a special place in my heart and I wish everyone, whanau, staff and students all the best for the remainder of this year and into the future.

Ngā mihi nui

Des Hedley

Principal