

Beachlands School

Everyday Learning & Growing Together - Me mātau Ra

Kia ora Applicant,

Thank you for showing interest in joining our teaching team at Beachlands School which is situated in the beautiful Pohutukawa Coast. Beachlands is a 20 minute drive to Howick, Manukau and Botany shopping areas, or hop on a 30 minute ferry ride from Pine Harbour and arrive in the heart of Queen Street.

Our school opened in 1934 with Ms Christina Malone being our school's foundation Principal. Our school roll continues to grow and the Ministry of Education is providing us with new buildings to accommodate 900 pupils.

Our newly designed school logo is layered with depth of meaning.

- a) The Koru represents individuals who are connected and are reaching for the heights. Success is found in both individual achievements and in connections with others.
- b) The complete circular shape represents our ever changing/moving world for which we prepare our students to succeed within.
- c) The bottom two left koru represent the interconnection between old Beachlands and new housing communities of Beachlands.
- d) The bottom two left koru also represent the interconnection/interdependence between families and school, both working together to support children achieve/exceed their goals. The child is represented in the heart of the koru.
- e) The blue reflects the water of life. The water that sustains our world, our environments. As a Green-Gold Enviroschool, this reminds us to conserve the natural resources around us and to continue to protect and grow the environment in which we live, learn and recreate within. We are all kaitiaki, meaning we are the trustees, minders, custodians, guardians, keepers, stewards of our world.

The Beachlands Learner and our FERN values (Friendship, Encouragement, Respect and Nurture) are embedded in our children, parents and staff. These values and beliefs equip our children with the skills and tools for life-long learning, in an environment that promotes high trust and high levels of professionalism. We are a self-improving school reflecting on current practice and continually looking for ways to improve educational opportunities. We value our team approach and high degree of collaboration in decisions which affect us.

Our Board of Trustees is very supportive and encourages innovation and collaboration. Our PTA is a hard working group, striving to plan fundraisers throughout the year to support our children and are backed by our strong and supportive community.

We welcome your application and look forward to reading about your passion and the knowledge and skills that you would bring to our school team that would enable all learners to achieve their goals and fulfil our vision of 'Everyday learning & Growing Together' – 'Me mātau Ra'.

Anthony Noble-Campbell **Tumuaki/Principal**