

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Kia Ora and welcome to Room 2

I am really looking forward to the 2019 school year and getting to know your child as a part of Room 2.

I had the pleasure of graduating in 2017 from Auckland University of Technology and am currently in my second year of teaching. My teaching strength is writing and bringing a student's imagination to life. I am a mum of two girls, Keira (aged 10) and Alisha (aged 6 years). I enjoy watching and participating in sports, such as netball and volleyball.

I hope to have a lot of fun and exciting times in Room 2 this year and promote a safe and happy learning environment. Children will be supported in having high expectations of themselves around their learning, participation, and behaviour. They are encouraged to think, display confidence and curiosity as well as taking responsibility for themselves and their belongings. Room 2 is a space where your child can be confident and feel comfortable to take safe risks resulting in challenges to step them outside their comfort zones.

I believe the best homework for a child is to discuss what they have learnt during their day at school. I will be encouraging all children to read daily and for those children who have not yet mastered basic facts or essential spelling lists, this should be a regular part of their home learning.

I have an open door policy and can be available for a quick chat either before or after school. If you have matters that you would like to discuss further, please email me to arrange an appointment at nikkib@mairangibay.school.nz.

I look forward to meeting with you at the Meet the Teacher in week 4. I will be sharing with you how your child has begun their year in Room 2 and give you my initial impressions of them based on what I have seen and what I have read in their 2018 end of year report and cumulative folders. This is a great opportunity for you to share any information that would better enable me to understand what motivates your child.

I look forward to the year ahead with you and your child.

Kind Regards

Nikki Black

