

**APPLICATION INFORMATION FOR TEACHING POSITION
YEAR 7/8 TEACHER (PERMANENT) COMMENCING TERM 1, 2025**

Tēnā koe

Thank you for your interest in a teaching position at Te Parito Kōwhai Russley School.

I include the following information:

- Appointment timeline
- Information about our school and community
- Job specifications
- Application form

Te Parito Kōwhai Russley School has a warm, family culture and a notable focus on our values - manaakitanga, hauora, whanaungatanga and auahatanga. Te Parito Kōwhai Russley School prides itself on its sense of 'togetherness', represented by four strategic pillars *Growing Together, Walking Together, Creating Together, and Flourishing Together*. The school is currently undergoing a full school rebuild as part of the Canterbury School Rebuild programme and has a new logo and uniform in development.

The main goal of our talented and professional staff is for Russley students to experience a positive learning environment. We pride ourselves on knowing our people; their personal backgrounds, what's important to them and their whānau, and how we can support a child's learning journey. The successful applicant will be expected to share this vision and demonstrate their capability to grow accordingly.

Person Specifications

These are the qualities and capabilities we are seeking in a successful applicant:

- New Zealand registered teacher with recent successful junior school teaching experience
- Knowing about the NZ curriculum, and able to demonstrate practice that works
- Structured literacy knowledge/application and maths teaching that includes conceptual understanding, problem-solving and adaptive reasoning
- Displays high levels of interpersonal behaviour and builds relationships
- Adaptable and flexible
- Willing to ask questions and think critically to be solution-focused
- Organises effectively and can be relied upon
- High level communication skills - happy to connect with people, does so willingly and in a timely manner
- Is committed to extending their own thinking and learning

Please email your application to iwant2be@russley.school.nz by 3.00pm on Monday 7 October 2024.
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I look forward to receiving your application.

Greg Lewis
Tumuaki | Principal

Timeline:

Applications close	7 October 2024, 3.00pm
Short-listed applications notified	8-9 October
Interviews	10-11 October 2024
Offer likely to be made to successful applicants	11 October 2024
Position commences	Term 1, 2025

Profile of Te Parito Kōwhai Russley School and Community:

Russley School is a U5, co-educational, state, full-primary school. We have a stable roll consistently numbering around 460 students by year-end.

Most students live within the school’s enrolment zone. We are proud of our rich blend of ethnicities, and we actively seek opportunities to share and celebrate cultural diversity. Approx 56% of the roll are New Zealand European/Pakeha, 12% Māori, 12% Chinese, 4% Pasifika, with the remainder representing other cultures.

The school is staffed by 18 full time teaching equivalents, a leadership team, plus additional administration and support staff.

Located in Christchurch’s northwest, Te Parito Kōwhai Russley School is currently undergoing a full school rebuild, due to be completed by the end of 2025. Our modern facilities are set in an attractive environment with expansive playing fields.

The school is well equipped with modern teaching equipment provided by the Board and a supportive PTA.

We actively support and promote digital learning opportunities that support our curriculum and progress student learning. We lease class sets of Chromebooks and iPads and encourage BYOD for Year 3 and above.



We have a proud tradition in music and drama with representative choirs excelling at Christchurch festivals. We have a significant music programme led by an experienced specialist teacher, along with a variety of itinerant music teachers. Every three years Russley School stages an impressive school-wide musical production.

Our senior kapahaka rōpu, numbering around 70 students, has been a winner of the Tūhono Festival, and we value the large numbers of students and staff who contribute to a high standard of performance.

Additionally, the school has a strong tradition of sporting success being involved in a wide range of in-school and interschool sporting events. Our students achieve highly and often receiving comments from opposition teams regarding our sportsmanship and playing endeavour.

