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Dear Parents/Caregivers

Over the weekend the Board have made the appointment of our second Deputy Principal. We are delighted to announce that Racheal Bell will take up the position of Deputy Principal starting in Term 2. The Board and senior management are excited to have Racheal join our senior leadership team and we congratulate her on her appointment.

Racheal will be known to many in the community having worked at Pekerau for a number of years. For those who do not know Racheal, she has provided some information about herself below.

I am very excited to take on the role as Deputy Principal and to have the opportunity to develop as a leader at a school that I am so passionate about. My goal has always been supporting children to reach their potential and help them to get to know themselves as a learner. As a senior teacher at Te Awamutu Primary School I became a reading recovery teacher and I developed a keen interest in Literacy. Over the last 10 years I have worked at numerous local schools in a part time capacity where I have been fortunate to work with small literacy groups as an expert literacy teacher. Part of my responsibilities at Pekerau include leading the Learning Hub, a collaborative space for teachers and teacher aides to work with small groups of children with identified learning needs including gifted children. I am also the Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator at Pekerau and look forward to working with our dedicated staff, whanau and outside agencies to meet the needs of our children. I look forward to joining the Senior leadership team at Pekerau and making a positive difference to our children.