

# Office of Hon Chris Hipkins



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Gerard Lieshout  
Chairperson  
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Tēnā koe Mr Lieshout,

I have been informed by the Chief Review Officer that Ohoka School has recently been reviewed by the Education Review Office and that the review report has been confirmed with the decision that ERO will next review the school in four to five years. He has sent me a copy of that report for my information.

I am aware that the criteria leading to this decision by ERO are demanding. I congratulate all involved for the work you are doing to ensure your school is providing a high quality of education for its learners.

This must be very encouraging for you and I commend you, your Board and the Principal, Kym Scown, for the leadership you have all shown, and the staff for their focus on learner achievement. In particular, I note the positive impact the school is having responding to children whose learning and achievement need acceleration.

Thank you for the important contribution Ohoka School is making to the education of New Zealand's young people.

I have included a copy of this letter for Mrs Scown.

Heoi anō

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'CH', representing Hon Chris Hipkins.

**Hon Chris Hipkins**  
**Minister of Education**

CC: Mrs Kym Scown  
Principal, Ohoka School