

News From the Nest

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Dear Parents and Supporters of East Lake School,

On Monday evening, I quickly realized how challenging it can be to talk about potential strike action — especially with our own children.

Like many of you, I was met with questions I simply didn't have answers to.

Uncertainty can be uncomfortable for children — and adults alike. In times like these, it's especially important to focus on what helps us feel grounded: gentle care, rest, exercise, nutritious meals, and a trusted person to share concerns with.

There are many feelings, beliefs, and opinions surrounding the current situation — all of them valid. As a school community, our focus remains on supporting one another with empathy, respect, and care.

Our assessment results are beginning to come in, and we are incredibly proud of the significant gains made by our K–3 learners in literacy and numeracy during the winter and spring. These results reflect the hard work of our students and the dedication of our staff to high-impact instruction. It's encouraging to see this progress, and we remain committed to building on that success.

As a school leader, I hold strongly to the values of connection, gratitude, and wellness. These beliefs guide how we support one another, how we celebrate progress, and how we navigate challenges — together. I see these values lived out daily at East Lake School, in the care shown between students, staff, and families.

What remains unwavering is this: East Lake School is still the place to be. Your children's teachers care deeply about them, and we are incredibly proud of the strong, successful start we've had — despite the complexities of reconfiguration and uncertainty within the educational landscape.

For ongoing updates, I encourage you to visit the "Labour Action Update" section of the RVS website. This will be your go-to source for the most current information.

Yours in education,

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