



Special Newsletter

17 March 2025

Kia ora koutou

I regret to inform you that we have received notification from Libelle (our school canteen operators) that Friday was the last day of operation for more than 60 Libelle Canteens/Tuckshops in secondary schools throughout New Zealand. Libelle Group was placed into voluntary liquidation last week and this has now also affected the school Canteen/Tuckshop arm of their business with immediate effect.

This means that our school canteen will be closed from today (Monday 17 March) until further notice. We are working actively on securing a new canteen operator as soon as possible.

We have never been included in the 'Lunches in Schools' programme at any stage of the programme but we run our own very popular Breakfast programme through our Food Technology Department every morning before school and also offer a lunch sitting on Thursday morning to students through our Food Technology Department. We also have energy snack pack trail mixes and chewy muesli bars available for students from the Student Centre and Library throughout the whole school day.

We send our deepest sympathies and best wishes to the four Libelle staff members – Kylie, Mandy, Regan, and Lynleigh – who have now sadly lost their employment during these very difficult economic times for so many people in our community.

Ngā mihi nui

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