

## 22 October 2022

To Whom It May Concern

Re: Letter of Support for the Motutapu Outdoor Education Trust (MOET) Concession Reapplication to operate the Motutapu Outdoor Education Camp (MOEC)

For 32 years our School Massey Primary has utilised the Motutapu Outdoor Education Trust for school camp as part of our EOTC curriculum involving our students in an amazing experiential learning opportunity. This unique environment has s special place in the culture and learning of our students and community. It offers a "living" history for both our Maori and Pasific students are familiar with.

It also offers an environment where the students can explore the natural World and have hands on experience of the effects of mans impact on the Natural Environment.

It also provides an opportunity for our students to experience a wide range of experiences they may otherwise never get eg a ferry ride.

It has been a pleasure working with this Charitable Trust whose commitment to the students, programmes and learning outcomes was evident.

Motutapu Outdoor Education Trust as a whole operates at an extremely hight level of professionalism. The standard of maintenance is high and the commitment to whenua, moana, conservation, education and sustainability is massive. The activities offered are incredible. The focus on safety and compliance is of the highest standard. The learning opportunities this provides to pir rangatahi is without doubt what this entity does and does well.

There is no doubt in my mind that this Trust (MOET) has the business skills, resources and the passion to continue to successfully operate the facility well beyond the current concession for the benefit of our rangatahi and the wider community.

We congratulate MEOT, Trustees, Management and Staff on their commitment to our school community.

Our hope is to return to MOEC for ,amu years to come and experience this wonderful, well operated facility operated to this same high standard.

Please accept my support for the continuation of the MOEC concession.

Nga mihi

**Bruce Barnes** 

**Principal Massey Primary**