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## Holiday pay investigation reaches teachers

For many years payroll systems around the country have been calculating holiday pay in a way that does not comply with the *Holiday Pay Act 2003*. This means it is likely that teachers have not been paid the holiday pay that they are entitled to.

The Ministry of Education has completed a review to investigate its compliance with the *Holidays Act 2003 (the act)* and has acknowledged there is a problem in the application of the act that will affect the majority of PPTA members.

The broad area of non-compliance relates to the manner in which types of leave are calculated and then applied to employees taking certain types of leave. Record keeping has also been identified as an area where further work will need to be conducted.

PPTA has joined a working party group with the other education sector unions and the ministry to look at this. It's a hugely complicated area, and more so for teachers as our holidays are very different from other working people. The ministry is in the process of scoping the issue further and we anticipate it will take some time before a resolution to the matter will be finalised.

Further updates will be provided to members as they arise.

[Holiday Act Compliance, schools payroll - Ministry of Education information](#)

## Election of president, junior vice president and executive members for 2018-2019



All PPTA members are eligible to run as candidates for PPTA president, junior vice president and positions on the executive for the year 1 February 2018 to 31 January 2019.

Nominations close 5pm Friday, September 15.

Information and nomination forms are available on the PPTA website

[PPTA Executive and Presidential team elections - information and nomination forms](#)

If you don't want to run for office but want to get in on the vote, keep an eye on the September/October issue of the PPTA News for candidate information.

## Reminder for people in Community of Learning roles

The Teachers' Refresher Course Committee (TRCC) is running a course in April next year (18 – 20 April 2018, in Auckland) titled 'The power of collaboration – Leading learning within and across schools'. This symposium is for people working in CoL roles, Specialist Classroom Teachers, and any other leaders of teaching and learning in primary, intermediate or secondary school contexts. The planning committee includes SCTs and CoL representatives.

A survey has been developed to collect views from people in CoL roles about what you would like to see in the programme. (The SCT Association is surveying its members separately.) The survey below should take you no more than 10 minutes and your responses will help greatly in the planning of this symposium.

The survey will close on Friday September 15th at 5pm.

[Survey of teachers in CoL roles - Across community and Within School teachers](#)

## Calling Pasifika teachers - join the PPTA Komiti



Nominations are invited for six vacancies on Komiti Pasifika for 2018.

The Komiti Pasifika advises the PPTA on the needs of Pasifika teachers and Pasifika students. The Komiti generally advises the PPTA national executive on Pacific issues and concerns, as well as bringing a Pacific outlook to PPTA policy. One of the Komiti Pasifika members is also a member of the PPTA national executive.

The Komiti has six members, who are elected by Pasifika members of PPTA. Nominations are being called for all six positions.

Nominations close at 5pm on Friday 22 September 2017

Information and nomination forms are available on the PPTA website or by emailing Julie Elliot [jelliott@ppta.org.nz](mailto:jelliott@ppta.org.nz)

[Komiti Pasifika elections - information and nomination forms](#)

## Nominate for the PPTA Establishing Teachers' Committee

Now is your chance to become a member of the PPTA Establishing Teachers' Committee (ETC), the voice for early career teachers. The ETC meets at least once a year for a full day meeting and at other times in conjunction with PPTA events such as annual conference and the Issues

and Organising seminar, as well as more regular electronic meetings.

There are three vacancies and committee appointments are for up to two years.

Nominations close 5pm 22 September 2017

[Information about the ETC committee and nomination form](#)

## **Our Code, Our Standards professional learning programmes**

The Education Council is arranging professional learning programmes across the country to implement the Standards for the Teaching Profession Ngā Paerewa mō te Umanga Whakaakoranga and Code of Professional Responsibility Ngā Tikanga Matatika. The workshops will help teachers, kaiako, professional leaders and tumuaki to use the standards in appraisal and to understand the code. To ensure courses are offered in your area it is essential that someone from your school fills in the expression of interest form on the Education Council website.

Check with the professional learning leader or equivalent in your school to make sure this is done. As has been the case previously when the standards changed, the Education Council workshops are the most reliable source of information when planning appraisal programmes within schools that meet the certification requirements.

[Our Code, Our Standards professional learning - expression of interest form](#)

## **2017 Annual Conference reminder**



Want to get more involved in PPTA decisions? PPTA's annual conference is your chance. The 2017 conference will be held at the Brentwood Hotel, Kemp Street, Kilbirnie, Wellington from Tuesday 3 October to Thursday 5 October.

Conference papers are now available on the member only section of the PPTA website. They will be made available to the public from 11 September.

To log in to the website your username is your MoE number with no zeroes in front or the preferred email address we have for you on file. Your password is also your MoE number minus the zeroes until you log in and change it.

[2017 PPTA annual conference papers](#)

[2017 PPTA annual conference information](#)

We will also be providing live coverage of conference speeches, debates and decisions via our Facebook and Youtube channels



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