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2018 provisional staffing notices are in schools now

The provisional staffing notices have arrived in schools and should be being shared with staff where schools are in a falling roll situation. The notices set out the “provisional staffing” numbers - the number of teachers and units the Ministry of Education will fund in your school next year. If student numbers have dropped in the past year, or the projected numbers for Year 9 coming in the next year are expected to be lower than usual, then your school might be told it needs to lose teaching staff. The reduction of teaching staff is commonly expressed as full-time teacher equivalents (FTTEs). Where the FTTE requiring reduction is more than 1.0 (a whole teaching position) the employer has to follow the surplus staffing procedures in your collective agreement.

The Advice and Issues section of the PPTA website explains the surplus staffing process in more detail. If you have any concerns please contact your local field officer

[Surplus staffing - advice for members in schools with a falling roll \(PPTA website\)](#)

[PPTA field office contacts](#)

Surplus staffing publication updated

The *Surplus staffing: advice for when your school has a falling roll* publication has been updated. If you have an earlier version of this document please destroy it and contact your local PPTA field office or us directly for replacements.

Alternatively you can download it from the Advice and Issues section of ppta.org.nz

[Surplus staffing: advice for when your school has a falling roll \(PDF\)](#)

Vodafone email addresses

Vodafone will be closing its email services shortly. If this affects you we would appreciate it if you could advise us of your new email address so we can update our database. You can do this either by changing your personal details on the member-only side of ppta.org.nz or emailing membership@ppta.org.nz. (To log in 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 live on YouTube



PPTA's 2017 annual conference will be held in Wellington from Tuesday 3 to Thursday 5 October.

This year conference speeches and debates will be streamed via YouTube live. They will then be able to be replayed and shared after the fact. If you can't make it to conference but would like to keep an eye on proceedings, please sign up to our YouTube channel for updates.

[NZPPTA YouTube channel](#)

[2017 PPTA annual conference - details and conference papers \(PPTA website\)](#)

PPTA professional issues vacancy

Are you interested in working with secondary teachers to develop policy on issues that matter to

them and then doing what it takes to make these things happen?

We're looking for someone to join the advisory team in our national office in Wellington. We want someone who has experience with a range of professional issues, which could include curriculum and assessment, professional learning and development, teacher performance management and teachers' professional practice.

Applications close 5 pm Friday 6 October

[Advisory Officer \(professional issues\) information and job description \(PPTA website\)](#)

Wellbeing@School student survey resource now free

The Wellbeing@School survey is now free. The Ministry of Education is funding this survey for use in New Zealand schools until December 2018. This is a great opportunity to find out how the young people at your school really feel.

It is often difficult to get an accurate picture of the bullying that occurs in a school. Research has shown repeatedly that in New Zealand bullying is a serious problem for schools. Using an anonymised survey, such as the Wellbeing@School survey can provide a rich source of data about how students are genuinely feeling in your school. The Wellbeing@School survey has been specifically designed to help schools identify how different aspects of school life contribute to a safe and caring environment that deters bullying. Gathering data also provides a baseline for monitoring outcomes over time.

Your school can sign up for the free Wellbeing@School student survey and toolkit through the Wellbeing@School website and there are lots of resources to help put a bullying prevention programme in place on the Bullying Free NZ website.

[Information on Wellbeing@School survey and toolkit](#)

[Wellbeing@School registration form](#)

[Bullying Free NZ resources](#)

LGBTIQ+ guidance now live

The LGBTIQ+ guidance is now up on the Inclusive Education section of the TKI (Te Kete Ipurangi) website. PPTA was part of the group consulted on the development of this site. The guide provides strategies and suggestions for supporting the inclusion and wellbeing of students who identify as sex, gender or sexuality diverse. It is vitally important for LGBTIQ+ students and those who support them and will contribute to developing school cultures where all students are included, visible and valued.

[Supporting LGBTIQ+ students guide \(TKI inclusive education webpage\)](#)

Leaving teaching? Please fill in our survey



PPTA has started an ongoing survey to provide annual information from secondary teachers and school leaders on why they leave teaching in New Zealand schools.

This information is not collected by the New Zealand Ministry of Education or any other organisation from those who leave. We believe this information is essential in planning for the future.

The survey can be completed in five minutes and responses will be anonymous.

[Leaving teaching survey](#)

If you have any questions about the survey please contact Rob Willetts

[Contact Rob](#)



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