



## **Napier Girls' High School Cancels Ball based on information and discussions with Police**

Napier, 27 July 2018 - Following our decision this afternoon to cancel the Napier Girls' High School Ball, we have the following comments to make.

The school has cancelled tonight's Napier Girls' High School Ball.

Earlier today we released information to our community that the Ball was going ahead, at that time, there was no information available to suggest a credible reason to cancel.

Subsequently, the school received further information from Police that has led to our decision to cancel the Ball.

We continue to work with the Police on this matter.

It is with much regret that we have had to take such drastic action, - but the health and safety of our students and their partners is of paramount importance to us. This action has been taken in the best interest of our students and their partners.

We appreciate the disappointment and the impact that this has had on our school and wider school community. The school ball is a highlight of the year for many of our students and we know that our young women look forward to it.

We trust that our school community – parents and students – understand the reasons for our decision. We too are disappointed especially that someone would seek to disrupt an event that our young women have looked forward to and planned for.

We are grateful for the support of our school community during this time.

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