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Think Pink Action Day

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November 27

Friday November 27th is the day to highlight the continued lack of progress in support staff pay negotiations.

What preparations do you have underway in your school?

Encourage all school staff – principal, teachers, and support staff – to wear black and pink for the day. Take a photo of your solidarity and email it to Bill English – bill.english@parliament.govt.nz.

Put it on the Fair Deal site – www.fairdeal.org.nz

Send the photos to your local paper or invite your local community newspaper to the school and talk to support staff, the principal, teachers and parents about the roles of support staff and how they are paid.

Invite your local MP to “Walk in Your Shoes” for the day.

Check out the link for these ideas and more to help plan your activities.

<http://tinyurl.com/yfkjczn>

Lift the Freeze on Low Pay

November 27

NZEI Support Staff are being encouraged to take part in lunchtime rallies throughout New Zealand with members of the Service and Food Workers Union and the PSA, to protest against the government’s wage freeze in the state sector.

The action is timed to coincide with a strike by hospital cleaners, caretakers and disability support workers. The rallies will start at 12.30pm.

Check with your principal about your attendance – a letter has gone out to all Primary Principals asking for their support.

Here is the link for the rally flyer.

<http://tinyurl.com/yz3t7jv>

Auckland Fair Deal March

November 28th

The march will go from QEII Square at 12pm (pre-meet at 11.30) and finish with a rally and BBQ in Myers Park. We need to show the level of frustration over the government’s failure to give support staff a Fair Deal.

This is a chance for everyone – teachers, principals and all school communities – to take to the streets and show that support staff are valued and deserve to be recognised.

For more information go to www.nzei.org.nz – Think Pink