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We are seeking feedback from our community, staff and friends at Churton Park School, Churton Park Kindy and Churton Park Little School on the implementation of a Cohort Entry for Churton Park School in 2022.

Schools that implement Cohort Entry have new-entrant children start school either at the beginning or midpoint of a term (8 intakes across the year). Students must be at least 5 years old but are not required to start school until their sixth birthday.

Cohort entry is about helping children to settle better in school. There's evidence that starting school alongside other children helps children build relationships and supports a smoother entry to school life.

Schools that are already using cohort entry, such as St Brigid's Johnsonville, believe it offers their kids the best start to their school life. It can also mean less disruption for new entrant teachers who can prepare for groups of children arriving on a specific date rather than on an individual and ad hoc basis throughout the year.

More information can be found here <https://parents.education.govt.nz/primary-school/your-child-at-school/cohort-entry/>

We are seeking feedback on Cohort Entry from the staff, parents and whānau by 10 September.

If you would like to share your thoughts please complete this quick survey

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfoX9wTvwYMzII90LI5IKv09ve3-vBkPSAyFjMUgSU74QL0_g/viewform?usp=sf_link

The Churton Park School Board of Trustees will consider all feedback. If there is a change to cohort entry at least one term's notice will be given.

Please contact the principal, Matt Stanley if you have any questions-
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Nga mihi nui

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