

Indicative timeline of key processes and decisions in merger process for New Brighton schools

	Action
September 2013	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Final decision announced » Special temporary enrolment scheme in place for Freeville School » Specialist senior advisors provide ongoing contact with, and support for, the Boards and senior management teams » Ministry advertises for an independent chair (for newly merged school) » Expressions of interest sought for appointment to the Board for the newly merged school
October 2013	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Final decision gazetted
November 2013	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Appointed Board including the independent chair is announced » Decision gazetted for interim period to start* » Governance facilitators appointed » Change managers appointed » Residual agents appointed
January 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Appointed Board takes office (for continuing school) » Elected Board from continuing school ceases to exist » Governance facilitator starts
February 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Change managers start » Residual agents start » Appointed Board and governance facilitator work with community** to begin developing the vision for the newly merged school
March 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Principal's position for newly merged school advertised
May 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Principal designate appointed
July 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Principal designate starts
August 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Staffing plan for newly merged schools developed
September 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Reconfirmation/reassignment staffing decisions for newly merged school made
October 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Unfilled positions advertised » Staffing decisions made
November 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Staffing decisions made
January 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Schools merge » Newly merged school opens
April 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Newly merged school completes Board election process

* The interim period starts on the day specified in the Gazette notice and ends on the day the elected Board of Trustees for the newly merged school takes office.

** The community may choose to establish a Community Group to help maintain interest and momentum, both through the merging process and after the school is established.

