



Te Kāhui Ako ō Kawakawa

Whakatupu, Tiaki, Manaaki
Grow, Protect, Sustain

Pānui/Newsletter 3 - 24 May, 2024

Mātaitipu hei papa whenuakura
Grow and nourish a thriving community.

Tēnā koutou katoa

We hope Term 2 has started well. This newsletter contains several important updates and news about recent and upcoming events.

1. **He Whare Māturanga.** 24 people from twelve schools in our Kāhui Ako attended the first session on Sunday 5th May. It was interesting to learn more about the He Whare Mātauranga initiative and then work with three members of Ngāti Kauwhata (Anaru, Amo and Pania) to further develop knowledge around whakapāpā, tikanga and current educational initiatives within Te Kura ā iwi o Ngāti Kauwhata.

Our next sessions are scheduled for:

- **Sunday 28 July 2024, from 1.00 pm - 5.00 pm at LSS (Session 2)**
- **Sunday 13 October 2024, from 1.00 pm - 5.00 pm at LSS (Session 3)**

2. **Leadership Lab coaching** with Greg Jansen and Danette Abraham-Tiatia. This year we are offering a range of group and individual leadership coaching sessions, specifically tailored to meet the needs of current and aspiring leaders within our Kāhui Ako kura. Our ASLs will contact principals to see how they would like to use this PLD opportunity.

Upcoming Dates and Important Reminders

Term 2 - Venues and times:

- Week 6 **PLG visits/meetings**
- 11 June - **Principals Meeting** Venue Feilding High School, 9.00 am - 11.00 am
- 20 June **Kāhui Ako meeting** @ Newbury School, 3.45 pm - 5.15 pm

Term 3 - Venues and times:

- 28 July **He Whare Māturanga Session 2** @ Lytton St School, 1.00 pm - 5.00 pm

See the [Kāhui Calendar](#) (as of 25/04/2024) for further dates and information for Terms 3 & 4. We will update venues and times as they are confirmed.

N.B. Additional events and PLD opportunities will be shared and added to the calendar once they've been confirmed.

Wearable Arts:

Are you keen on wearable arts? We have an exciting opportunity for you to be involved in our very own Te Kāhui Ako ō Kawakawa Wearable Arts event. If you are interested in knowing more, please contact Kasia: kjeric@northstreet.school.nz

Currently, we have two dates confirmed (7 & 8 August). We are also working to lock in two more days. We will share a more detailed timetable for this PLD once we have spoken with principals about their requirements.

3. Pānui re Ronald Nolan.

As you will be aware, Pā Ronald Nolan has been seconded for three terms to Huia Kaimanawa. This is an organisation that sits under Te Akatea - The New Zealand Māori Principals' Association. Huia Kaimanawa kaikōkiri work together with kaiuru (Māori leaders) across Aotearoa to support them in developing Mahere Rautaki - strategic leadership plans. Ronald will support leaders with this process nationally, coaching and working alongside them. This is a prestigious role for Ronald and shows the mana and integrity he holds in this space. We are delighted to also announce that Ronald will continue to work at Lytton Street School for one day per week.

On behalf of the staff, students and community of Te Kāhui Ako o Kawakawa we would like to wish Pā all the best with this role. We are truly proud of you!

While Ronald is on leave, 3 people have been appointed to fixed-term Kāhui Ako Leadership positions. **Paora Pomare** will act as a cultural leader to help us continue to grow our knowledge and skills in this area. **Shaun Lewis** and **Kathy Lauridsen** will work as pedagogical leaders supporting initiatives related to our second Achievement Challenge specifically linked to literacy and numeracy.

We look forward to having these people join our leadership team.

Ben & Jo (Co-Leads - Te Kāhui Ako o Kawakawa)

Some changes to be aware of:

Due to Ronald being on leave, we have re-jigged the PLG groups and the schools that we liaise with as follows:

Our PLGs for the remainder of 2024 are:

Professional Learning Groups (May 2024)				
Kasia Jeric	Wendy Teekman	Ronald Nolan	Bridget Pound	Rose Atkins
Shelley Lagah Kirsty Early Dani Sowden David Nixon Sarah Payne Finda Hope Portia Clayton	Jo Beard Karen Higgie Haylee Hollands Liz Ngarotata-Hansen Teresa Mcfarlane Lauren Chappell Paul Frost	On Leave	Julie-Anna Martin Jemma Lawton Shaun Lewis Ange Armstrong-Lush Ali Symonds Lisa Woodward Jamie Worthington	Jacques Viljoen Kathy Lauridsen Julia Horsefield Claire McRae Kate Redpath Debbie Turner Raylene Johnston

Our next PLG session is scheduled for week 6 - ASLs will be in touch to schedule these meetings .

ASL's allocated schools for the remainder of 2024:

Liaison ASLs for our schools and ECEs				
Kasia Jeric	Wendy Teekman	Ronald Nolan	Bridget Pound	Rose Atkins

Kiwitea School Kimbolton Bunnythorpe Hiwinui	Feilding High School Colyton Apiti St Joseph	On Leave	Newbury School Waituna West Manchester Street ECE	Feilding Intermediate Feilding High School Mount Biggs Halcombe
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News in brief:

Last week we hosted our third hui for 2024 at Mt Biggs School. Thank you to Claire and Kyle for hosting us. This hui focussed on:

Achievement Challenge 1.5 - Creating visible and reciprocal communication systems.

Claire shared some of the communications systems that Mt Biggs has established to connect with their community and then the WSLs who were present added examples from their schools to our [WSL slide deck](#).

Mt Biggs find themselves in the unique position of seeing whānau and caregivers in person most days due to their rural location. This brings about multiple opportunities to connect and share. Walking through a selection of classrooms allowed us to see first-hand what authentic learning experiences have been implemented to support students to feel empowered and achieve success. Thank you to the kaiako who shared their knowledge and spaces.

Enclosed is a link to several [Te Reo Blookets](#) that were shared on the day. You might like to use these with your classes.



Ngā mihi nui

Rose, Wendy, Ronald, Kasia, Bridget, Ben and Jo

Te Kāhui Ako o Kawakawa Leadership