



Te Kāhui Ako ō Kawakawa

Whakatupu, Tiaki, Manaaki
Grow, Protect, Sustain

Pānui/Newsletter 4 - 27 June, 2024

Mātaitipu hei papa whenuakura
Grow and nourish a thriving community.

Tēnā koutou katoa,

Well, what a term we have all had. The new Government has certainly made its agenda clear to the education sector. There are exciting and challenging times ahead so it will be interesting to witness how the sector responds. As a Kāhui Ako, we aim to ensure we are abreast of any changes and well-positioned to support all kura to move forward. You will see later in the newsletter information about Erica Stanford (Minister of Education) and Bruce Jepsen (CEO of Te Akatea) coming to our rohe to share and hear the voice of our sector - make sure to lock in this date.

We would like to wish you all a fabulous term break and look forward to working with you all again in Term 3.

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

What's coming up:

1. **He Whare Mātauranga - Session 2.**

Lytton St School, 1.00 pm - 5.00 pm, (28 July). Participants from session 1 (on May 5) will continue their exploration of Ngāti Kauwhata narratives on July 28 as they work towards constructing their presentations for sharing in Term 4. Session 2 provides an opportune time to check understanding and ask questions as we continue to use our new knowledge to enrich our teaching stories.

2. **Leadership Lab coaching with Greg Jansen and Danette Abraham-Tiatia.**

Now that we have confirmed dates for August, September, and November with these providers; we have started working with our principals to see how they would like to use this PLD opportunity. Schools/cluster groups will be assigned (by negotiation) at least one morning or

Upcoming Dates and Important Reminders

Term 3 - Venues and times:

- 28 July **He Whare Mātauranga Session 2**
@ Lytton St School, 1.00 pm - 5.00 pm
- 7-8 Aug **Leadership Lab Sessions** (Greg)
- in-school timetable TBC
- 8 Aug **Kāhui Ako Meeting (WSL/ASL/LP)**
(Greg) - venue TBC 3.45 pm - 5.00 pm
- 13-14 Aug **Leadership Lab Sessions**
(Danette)- in-school timetable TBC
- Week 6 - **PLGs & Principals meeting**
- 4 Sept - **Erica Stanford & Bruce Jepsen Community Meeting (all schools)** 3.30-5.30 pm FAHS Hall
- 12 Sept **Kāhui Ako Meeting (WSL/ASL/LP)**
@ FAHS 3.45 pm - 5.00 pm
- 24-25 Sept **Leadership Lab Sessions**
(Greg & Dan)- in-school timetable TBC
- 13 Oct - **He Whare Mātauranga Session 3**
@ Lytton St School, 1.00 pm - 5.00 pm

For further dates & information for Terms 3 & 4 see the [Kāhui Calendar](#) (as at 24/06/2024). We will continue to update venues and times as they are confirmed.

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

afternoon slot (on **August 7, 8, 13, or 14**) for either Greg or Dan to provide specifically tailored, on-site group and individual leadership coaching sessions, to current and aspiring leaders within their kura. There will be further opportunities for a second session on **September 24 and 25**. We have also scheduled two afterschool sessions for our WSL/ASL group to work with Greg on **August 8 and November 14**.

3. **Erica Stanford & Bruce Jepsen Community Meeting** (for all schools in Te Kāhui Ako ō Kawakawa)
Feilding High School Hall 3.30-5.30 pm.

We are excited to announce that the Minister of Education, Erica Stanford, and the CEO of Te Akatea, Bruce Jepsen, have agreed to join us for a hui on:

Addressing inequity and underachievement in education.

This hui is open to all teachers and principals in our Kāhui.

We will be contacting principals early in Term 3 to confirm numbers.

4. **Wearable Arts Gala**
Thursday 7 Nov

The theme for this year is “Ignite the light.” The categories will be announced shortly. Each school can submit up to 5 pieces. These can be done in groups or individually. We have a \$150 budget per school for resources. WSLs will be responsible for ensuring their school pieces get created and delivered by the end of October. Please contact Kasia Jeric for more information.

SCHEDULE

3.30

Mihi Whakatau

3.45

Keynote 1

Erica Stanford, Minister of Education – The 6 key Ministry of Education priorities

4.15

Keynote 2

Bruce Jepsen, President of Te Akatea – Priorities for Māori education

4.45

Workshops

What is your school doing to address inequity and underachievement? What is working?

5.15

Final thoughts, actions and next steps.

Poroporoaki



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ERICA STANFORD

BRUCE JEPSEN

Addressing Inequity & Underachievement in Education

TIME: 3.30PM – 5.30PM

DATE: 4 SEPT 2024

VENUE: FEILDING HIGH SCHOOL HALL

“Kia hī ake ana te ataakura”

“Ignite the light to ignite the potential of our tamariki”

Ehara taku toa i te toa takitahi, engari he toa takitini

My strength is not a strength of my own, but a strength of many together

News in brief:

Last week we hosted our fourth Thursday afternoon Te Kāhui ō Kawakawa hui for 2024 at Newbury School. Thank you to Julie-Anna Martin and Chris Symon for hosting us. This hui focussed on:

Achievement Challenge 1.3 - to grow change makers who can develop and lead strategies to improve practice and the capabilities of others.

During our hui, the representatives from Newbury School shared their journey, in partnership with Ngāti Kauwhata, to design their school mural. This journey included learning local narratives about the area in which their school is located. These narratives were then incorporated into their new

mural and informed the changes they have made to their house structure and year groupings. They have also helped school leaders to create an indigenised, localised framework for future innovations and decision-making.

Julie-Anna also shared how the school has created specific change-maker roles to tackle issues in literacy and numeracy. These specialist teachers are tasked with upskilling knowledge and sharing strategies and teaching tools with Newbury students and staff.



WSL work reminders:

1. **Matariki Celebrations:** Could WSLs please forward photos and blurbs showcasing how their kura has celebrated Matariki in 2024 to Wendy Teekman wteekman@feildinghigh.school.nz
2. **Achievement Challenge Gems:** Can WSLs please check you have completed your school's allocated slides from all our [Whole Kāhui Thursday afternoon sessions](#) this year? Our aim is to collaboratively curate examples of our schools authentically embedding our Achievement Challenges into their everyday policies and practices. Here are links to each slide deck for you:
 - i. [22 February slides](#) - Focus [1.6] To have kaitiaki who know and understand our ākonga
 - ii. [4 April slides](#) - Focus: [2.1] To have kaiako knowledgeable of Te Ao Māori and [2.4] to have curious, confident and connected ākonga who attend regular and experience mana-enhancing learning opportunities that support them to feel empowered and achieve success.
 - iii. [16 May slides](#) - Focus: [1.5] to foster visible and reciprocal communication systems
 - iv. [20 June slides](#) - Focus: [1.3] to grow change-makers who can develop and lead strategies to improve practice and the capabilities of others

3. **PLG Meetings:** The next PLG session is scheduled for Term 3, Week 6. Each ASL will contact group members to schedule a time for an in-person group meeting during that week.

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

ASL’s liaison visits for Term 3:

ASLs will visit the principals early next term to confirm numbers for the 4th of September PD and requirements for our Leadership Lab sessions.

We hope you've had an enjoyable and productive term. Best wishes for a relaxing and refreshing holiday break.

Ngā mihi nui

Rose, Wendy, Kasia, Bridget, Kathy, Shaun, Paora, Ben and Jo

Te Kāhui Ako o Kawakawa Leadership