



Te Kāhui Ako ō Kawakawa

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Newsletter 1- Term One - 2025

Welcome to the Term One Te Kāhui Ako ō Kawakawa newsletter.

Korero from our Kaiarahi Takirua (co-leaders)

Tēnā koutou katoa,

On behalf of everyone affiliated with Te Kāhui Ako ō Kawakawa, we would like to extend a big welcome back to you all. We trust you have had a relaxing and enjoyable summer break.

Once again, the Kāhui Ako is gearing up for another stunning year of learning opportunities and collaboration. In the next few weeks, a new calendar with our proposed meetings will be sent out. In addition, you will also be hearing about the professional learning and development wānanga that are available. So exciting times are ahead. Stay tuned!

We would also like to extend our congratulations to Alistair Shaw who has won the Principal position at Aokautere School in Palmerston North. Alistair has been a strong contributor to our Kāhui Ako for a number of years and an extremely popular Principal at Halcombe. Best wishes to you Alistair.

Please also keep in mind that Halcombe School will be advertising for a new Principal in the near future so keep an eye out for this.

Nā māua, ko Jo rāua ko Ben

Have your say:

We want to hear from you! To ensure our Kāhui Ako aligns with the needs and interests of our school communities, we've created a consultation document for ALL staff to share their thoughts on what they'd like to see and be part of this year. This form should have reached your inbox via your school's WSL. WSLs please ensure you share it with all your staff. If you haven't received it, you can access it [here](#).

We look forward to reading your feedback and ideas.

Important Dates:

As we did last year, all full Kāhui Ako hui will continue to be hosted by our different kura. This allows us to see and hear about the great initiatives being worked on in relation to our Achievement Challenge document.

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- PLG meetings will be held between the 3rd and 7th of March - venue TBC. ASLs will be in touch soon. Please note there are a few changes to our PLG groups and school liaisons, as we welcome new ASLs and WSLs to the team.

Professional Learning Groups (Term 1)				
Kasia	Wendy	Kathy	Poara/Bridget	Shaun
David Nixon FHS Finda Hope KS Portia Clayton HS Jacques Viljoen FHS	Jo Beard CS Karen Higgle FHS Haylee/Liz NSS Teresa Mcfarlane STJo Lauren Chappell MSS	Ali Symonds WW Trudy Maloney FHS Sarah Payne LSS Kirsty Early KS Debbie/Raylene HS	Kelsey Taylor NS Jemma Lawton FHS Ang Armstrong-Lush FIS Lisa Woodward NSS Shelley Laugh MSS	Julia Horsefield FHS Claire McRae MS Ainsley Seabrook LSS Paige Roberts LSS Julz Blunden FIS

Orange - Shared Role

ASL - Liaison Schools 2025				
Kasia	Wendy	Kathy	Poara/Bridget	Shaun
Kiwitea School Bunnythorpe Hiwinui	Feilding High School Colyton Apiti St Joseph	Feilding High School Waituna West Halcombe	Newbury School Manchester Street Feilding Intermediate North Street	Mount Biggs Lytton Street Kimbolton

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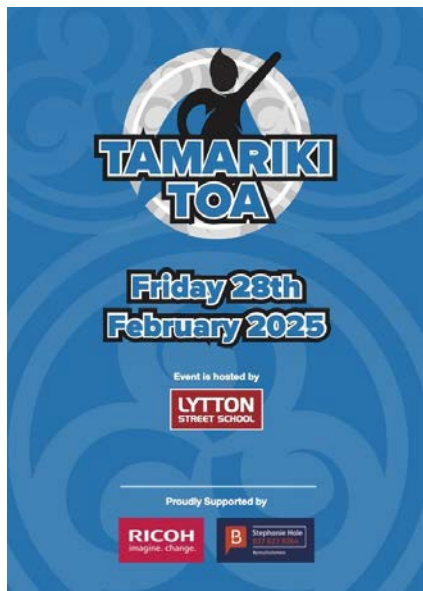
- Principals meeting - Wednesday 12th March @Coffee on the Square, 8am
- Full Kāhui Ako meeting - Thursday 20th March @Kiwitea School, 3:45pm - 5.15pm

Watch this space:

- This year will see the development of a dedicated Kawakawa Kāhui Ako website. This will be a one-stop-shop for resources, contact details and access to previous presentations.
- Bulk community NZCER data should soon be available for further analysis as schools continue to carry out and upload their PAT data. This may prove insightful for multiple school-wide actions.
- [Full Kāhui Calendar](#) - All important dates and the Kāhui Ako calendar have been shared with Principals and WSLs.

Set to launch soon:

We are in the process of confirming our workstreams and co-labs for 2025. We are excited to announce a Science Co-lab, which may ultimately build towards a Kāhui Ako Science Fair, and the popular Lit Quiz for Year 3-10s — more information to follow.



Tamariki Toa:

Our kids will be enjoying the Tamariki Toa event this Friday 28th February. This event is held at Timona Park and will host almost 1000 students. The event sees students tackle a range of fun obstacles in a supportive and team-oriented environment. It is also a huge amount of fun. A special thank you to the many sponsors who have made this day possible.

Have a wonderful week.

Ngā mihi nui,
Kathy, Shaun, Paora, Kasia, Bridget, Wendy, Ben and Jo
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