

Te Puna Matauranga Kahui Ako

Western Porirua Community of Learning

Valuing our community | Investing in our people | Connecting

Term 2 2019

Kia ora tatou

Welcome back to term two, 2019.

We start the term with some exciting news in that we have announce the appointment of our first across-school teacher, Nadia Lowden. Nadia is the deputy principal at Porirua School and brings strong knowledge and experience in developing effective pedagogy and local curriculum alongside other leaders. She has a thirst for learning and enjoys working collaboratively. We welcome Nadia to the role and look forward to developing this role and eventually growing this team with another across-school teacher and a group of within-school teachers.

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We also welcome Chris Theobald into our community— Chris will take up principalship of Bishop Viard College in term three. We have also recently met with Grant Henderson, new principal at Titahi Bay North School, who has expressed interest in joining our Kahui Ako.

We will kick off the workstream around *strategic goal one: Curriculum design* with a hui in conjunction with Porirua Harbour Trust and EnviroSchools to bring together our thinking about place-based learning and develop a shared understanding of what it is. Attendees will be from all our schools, and representatives from ECE, Porirua City Council, Greater Wellington Region Council, Department of Conservation and other interested parties.

The next phase in the development of our Kahui Ako will be to appoint our within-school teachers. The leadership group will be discussing this at our next meeting on Tuesday 28 May at 9:00 at Ngāti Toa School.

What's coming up:

Leadership meeting

Tuesday 28 May, 9:00-11:00 am

Ngāti Toa School

Place-based learning hui

Thursday 30 May, 12:30-2:30

Porirua School

See flyer on back for RSVP

Kaye Brunton and Vanessa Hendry

Schools in the Kahui Ako:

Bishop Viard College
Mahinawa Specialist School
Mana College
Ngāti Toa School
Porirua School
St Pius X
Titahi Bay Intermediate School
Titahi Bay School
Wellington Seventh Day Adventist School

Early Childhood Centres in the Kahui Ako:

Little Adventurer's
Whitireia Polytechnic Community Child Care Centre
Samoana Early Education Development Services
Grow and Learn ECE
Titahi Bay Playcentre
Ko Aroha Tuatahi Childcare Centre
Bright Start
Katoa Kindergarten
Titahi Bay Kindergarten
All About Children Titahi Bay

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Place-Based Education in Western Porirua

How can we strengthen the connections between young people, the natural environment and our wider community?



THURSDAY 30th MAY 12pm: LUNCH provided 12:30 - 2:30: HUI

Porirua School Hall, Awarua St, Elsdon

Email Rebecca to RSVP: pht.education@gmail.com

Our Strategic Goals 2019-2021

1 Te Puna Mātauranga Kāhui Ako curriculum enables akōnga to be high achieving, active learners.

2 Te Puna Mātauranga Kāhui Ako akōnga and whanau are valued partners who are supported in a timely and responsive manner.

3 Te Puna Mātauranga Kāhui Ako schools provide well-resourced, quality programmes in environments conducive to learning.

1

Curriculum design

Ako
Kaitiakitanga

Strategic initiative 1a

Identify what is important for our akōnga to know and be able to do.

Strategic initiative 1b

Identify and be able to implement effective pedagogical approaches that suit our akōnga.

Strategic initiative 1c

Develop learner profile signposts from ECE to tertiary.

Outcome for 2021: Engaged students who are achieving and exhibiting the qualities of the learner profile.

2

Hauora / Wellbeing

Manaakitanga
Whanaungatanga

Strategic initiative 2a

Identify the current state of wellbeing across Te Puna Mātauranga Kāhui Ako places of learning and prioritise action.

Strategic initiative 2b

Strengthen SENCO network across the Te Puna Mātauranga Kāhui Ako.

Strategic initiative 2c

Utilise and strengthen services to serve students requiring additional learning support.

Outcome for 2021: Confident learners contributing to school and community life. A highly functioning system of referral and responsive support.

3

Strategic resourcing

Wānanga
Whanaungatanga

Strategic initiative 3a

Identify internal expertise and gaps in knowledge, skills and experience (in relation to goal areas: pedagogy, resourcing, hauora).

Strategic initiative 3b

Seeking and seizing opportunities for optimising resources i.e. physical, environmental, personnel.

Strategic initiative 3c

Outcome for 2021: A directory of expertise. Connected hubs of learning with shared resourcing.