



Kāhui Ako News

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Tainui is one of 7 Tokoroa Schools:

Amisfield, Strathmore, Mangakino, Tokoroa Intermediate, Central and Forest View

In addition, we have 12 early learning services:

Central Kids Balmoral, Clyde Street, David Henry, Paraonui, Grampian (Tokoroa), Arohanui, The Ark- Tokoroa Childcare Centre, Loulou's Te Manavaroa Early Explorers Centre, Te Puna Whakatupu Te Rau Oriwa, Te Ara Metua Punanga Reo, Ra-Itu Koanga Reo, St Luke's Mokopuna & Tamariki Api'i Punanga Reo.

collaborating and sharing expertise so that our Tokoroa learner's educational pathway is supported and their transition through the education system is improved.

We have developed shared goals and achievement challenges based on the particular needs of our learners.

The impact of our journey so far has seen the schools and ECE services openly sharing and working towards a common goal. The ability to walk in and out of each other's space has been extremely significant, we are no longer in competition. We all want the best for our learners not only now but for their future so it makes more sense to work together.

The teachers across all these educational settings have been involved in professional learning which is helping to grow our profession as we embark on our journey.

To find out more please see the Kāhui Ako website:

[Tokoroa Kāhui Ako Website.](#)



Tainui Way



Respect



Responsibility



Excellence



Honesty



He Pou Tainui

He Pou Tainui for the Tainui Learner



He Pou Tainui

He Pou Tainui are not just for school but for life. The concept of the Tainui Pou comes from the Talking Poles that are erected around the Tokoroa area.

They aim to depict the variety of cultures in the Tokoroa community. Our He Pou Tainui aim to portray the Tainui Learner and the key competencies our students need to develop and use to be a capable learner not only in school but for lifelong learning.

The key competencies that we have called He Pou Tainui also encompass knowledge, skills, attitudes and values. We want to prepare our students to adapt, live and learn in a world that is always changing.

These competencies will assist them to do this. The idea of the talking pole is that they interact with each other, He Pou Tainui do not stand alone, they work together and influence each other. He Pou Tainui require the teacher to notice not just what the students are learning but how they are learning and their capacity to continue learning. He Pou Tainui are demonstrated in performance, and they require action. He Pou Tainui are not just for our students but for everyone because we believe that everyone including teachers are learners.

Key Competencies

The New Zealand Curriculum identifies five key competencies;

- Thinking
- Managing Self
- Participating and Contributing
- Using language, symbols and texts
- Relating to others

We have interpreted our own Tainui key Competencies known as He Pou Tainui.



Tainui Way Expectations (PB4L)

We want children to be happy at school, to do their best and achieve success in all areas of school life, to develop a positive set of expectations and build healthy relationships.

At Tainui we have a set of expectations that are embedded in all areas of school life. These expectations are how every child and every staff member conduct ourselves in everything we do. These expectations are represented in English, Māori and Sign Language. Our Expectations are part of our PB4L (Positive Behaviour for Learning) programme. We prefer to call this programme the Tainui Way.

Every child and every staff member in our school is expected to know these expectations in English, Māori and Sign Language. Teachers are expected to teach lessons around these expectations so children know what they are in practise.