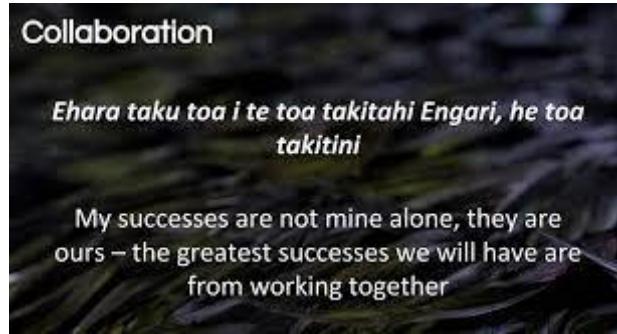


# Ahuriri Kāhui Ako Update

*'Authentic learning and real futures for all Ahuriri ākonga'*



***A strength of our Kāhui Ako is the collaboration amongst the members!***

Tēnā koutou katoa,

As we near the end of another busy and fulfilling term, it seems timely to reflect on the innovative activities and learnings of our Kāhui Ako.

Nau mai, haere mai! It is with great pleasure that we welcome Best Start Greenmeadows into our Kāhui Ako. Meagan and her staff are excited to be part of our team and are keen to get along to some of the activities on offer in Term 3.

Here is an update on what has been happening this term in our Kāhui Ako.

## **Kapahaka Festival**

We are excited to announce that the 2021 Ahuriri Kāhui Ako Kapa Haka Festival will take place on Tuesday 7th September (Week 7) at the Napier Municipal Theatre. This year we welcome Westshore School, Onekawa, Wharerangi and Tamatea Kindergartens and Best Start Greenmeadows. The ECEs are invited to the matinee to watch and to perform. Organisation of the festival is well underway. Ngā mihi nui to the organising team!

## **Growth Observation Tool**

External facilitators Lynette and Dee have been working with the AST and WST lead team to develop their capabilities when using the Observation to Shadow Coaching Process (Growth Tool and OTL conversations). Individual schools have also had training using the Growth Tool. Term three will see the remaining hours from this PLD programme used to strengthen the knowledge, understanding and use of the Growth Tool further with two training and coaching sessions (see below for dates).

Another PLD funding application has been submitted to support the reinstatement of the Rongohia te Hau process across the Kāhui Ako.

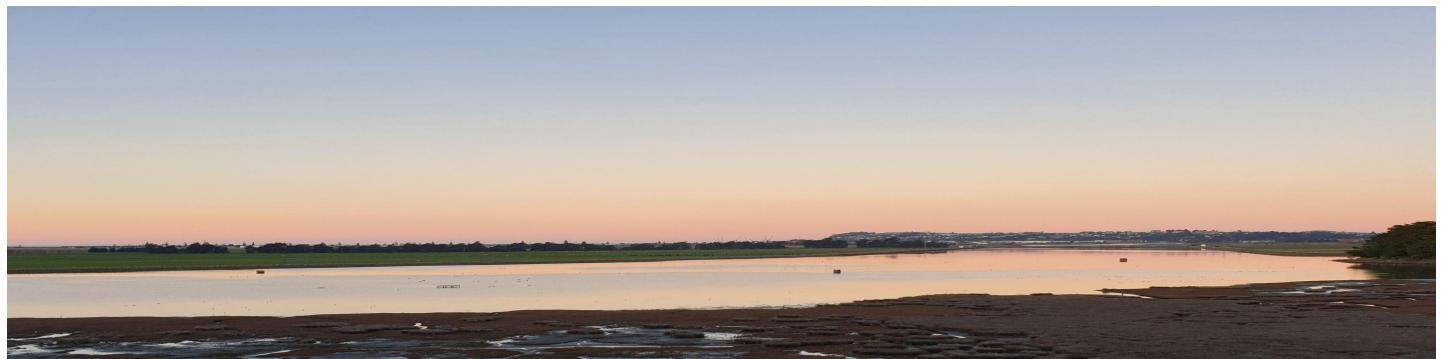
## **Transitions**

Student and whānau survey data has been collected and analysed, at Year 7 and Year 9. This data has been shared with schools and will be discussed at the next Principal hui.

ECE and NE teachers are working on developing an “Our Place” resource that can be used across the Kāhui Ako to aid the important transition from early childhood into school. This group continues to meet to share best practice.

## Teacher Hikoi

Kaiako across the Kāhui Ako have participated in two hikoi so far to gain knowledge of the stories significant to our moteatea: Te Pepeha o Tamatea Pokai Whenua, supported by external facilitators Tipene and Levi. This term we visited Te Poraiti/Pāpoto Pā looking out to Te Whanganui a Orotu. The Whanga was named after the Chief of Ngāti Whatumamo, Orotu. He had three main pā including one of the inner islands. He left all the land to his son, Whatumamo. Ngāti Whatumamo and Ngāti Awa are the iwi taketake of Ahuriri.



## Tamariki Wānanga Rōpū

The Tamariki Wānanga Rōpū have already visited three places of significance to our moteatea: Te Pepeha o Tamatea-Pokai-Whenua. A planning hui is scheduled for next term with the tamariki from the rōpū to discuss how they will share their new knowledge and learnings across the Kāhui Ako.



## Learning Support Rōpū

Our schools continue to work tirelessly to reduce the variability in how well ākonga transition within and between schools, particularly for those ākonga who are at risk of poor educational outcomes. Kura are looking at the introduction of 'Te Rito', a shared Learning Support Register, in Term 3. This supports our focus on information sharing at key transition points.

## **Trauma Informed Practice**

The leadership team attended PLD run by Henry Hill School on trauma informed practice. The school shared their learning journey and provided Kaiako with proven strategies to trial at their own kura. We will continue to meet with local kaiako and tumuaki to share effective practice in this crucial area.

Claire Taylor, MOE, will be running two sessions next term for our Kāhui Ako. The focus will be on providing teachers with strategies to support students who have experienced trauma. These workshops are open to all schools and ECE and it is recommended that at least two teachers attend. More information will follow.

## **New Opportunity!!!**

Ngati Kahungunu Iwi Incorporated has been selected by the Ministry of Education as the preferred provider for delivering the Te Ahu o te Reo Māori Programme. Kaiako from across the Kāhui Ako have the opportunity to be a part of this pilot programme starting July 23rd. Email [nickya@tamatea.school.nz](mailto:nickya@tamatea.school.nz) for more information.

Term Three will be another busy one for our Kahui Ako! There is a lot on offer for kaiako next term. The across and within school teacher at your school will keep you informed of upcoming activities.

<b>Key Dates:</b>	
ECE/NE Hui	<b>5th August, 3.30pm</b>
Tamariki Wānanga	<b>12th August &amp; 16th September</b>
Principal Hui	<b>12th August, 10-11.30am</b>
AST/WST Hui	<b>19th August, 1.30-3pm</b>
Growth Tool training	<b>Tuesday 17th August, 12-3pm</b> <b>Wednesday 25th August, 9-3pm</b>
Trauma Training	<b>19th and 26th August, 1.30-3pm</b>
Learning Support Hui	<b>2nd September, 2.30-4pm</b>
Teacher hikoi	<b>6-8th September (Week 7)</b>
Kapahaka Festival	<b>7th September</b>

*Note: The Teacher Hikoi may need to be changed due to the Kapahaka Festival being in the same week. This will be confirmed asap.*

Thank you to the staff in our Kāhui Ako early learning centres and schools for working incessantly to support the learning and wellbeing of our ākonga. Have a wonderful, well-deserved break these holidays.

*Ngā mihi mahana  
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