Te Tāhuhu o Te Mātauranga Ministry of Education The New Zealand Curriculum

Me Mātai hakamuri, kia anga whakamua

Kia ora, Kia Orana, Mālō e lelei, Talofa lava, Mālō nī, Fakaalofa lahi atu, 안녕하세요, 大家好,

नमस्त and warm greetings. Update Number 1, 17 June 2022

This pānui is an update from the March notification for Teachers and PLD leads. Aotearoa New Zealand is on a journey to ensure that all ākonga in our schools and kura learn how our histories help shape our lives.

Through the release of the Aotearoa New Zealand’s histories curriculum content in *The New Zealand Curriculum (NZC)*, ākonga will develop their understanding of the perspectives and experiences of a diverse range of New Zealanders.

This pack is an introduction to Aotearoa New Zealand’s histories in the curriculum and provides you with:

* the curriculum content
* information about what you need to do
* and some of the resources available to support you

It will be the foundation on which you will build, so familiarising yourself with the content is an important part of your school’s implementation planning.

The Aotearoa New Zealand’s histories curriculum content sits within the Social Sciences learning area, which is currently being refreshed. This will help support and equip ākonga with the tools, skills, and knowledge to confidently understand who they are and where they stand in their own world, and in the wider world. Ākonga will be supported to be critical thinkers and understand our past, in order to make sense of the present, while also being encouraged to learn about themselves and the people, events, and influences that have contributed to shaping Aotearoa.

This is part of a wider refresh of *The New Zealand Curriculum* taking place over the next four years. The refresh of *The New Zealand Curriculum* offers a once-in-a-generation opportunity for a curriculum that is shaped around our ākonga – their voice, needs, and aspirations.

We’re refreshing *The New Zealand Curriculum* so that it honours our obligations to Te Tiriti o Waitangi, is inclusive, clear about the learning that matters, and easy to use. For more information about *The New Zealand Curriculum* refresh go to [**education.govt.nz/curriculum-refresh**](https://www.education.govt.nz/our-work/changes-in-education/curriculum-and-assessment-changes/curriculum-refresh/)

The new curriculum content will not prescribe accounts or versions of histories. You will work with whānau, iwi, hapū and your local community to help decide which local critical contexts, historical events, sites, and people you would like your ākonga to explore, and how these are linked into the national context.

Learning Experiences have been included to provide a starting point for the types of examples that can be explored at each point in the curriculum.

It will take some time to develop and understand your local curriculum and content. Furthermore, you will need to allow time to consult with whānau, hapū, iwi and the

community to enable you to complete updates. There are tools, resources and professional learning opportunities available to support you in this process.

While our schools may already have quality learning in place on our country’s histories, most schools will need to make changes to their local curriculum to ensure it aligns with the Aotearoa New Zealand’s histories curriculum content.

# To ensure a smooth transition, all schools are expected to begin planning the implementation of the curriculum content in 2022.

For more information and access to the curriculum content, teaching and learning resources, and professional learning supports available please visit [**aotearoahistories.education.govt.nz**.](https://aotearoahistories.education.govt.nz/resources)

Enclosed in this pack you will find:

* A Quick Guide for Teachers
* Aotearoa New Zealand histories Curriculum Cards
* Aotearoa New Zealand histories Curriculum Content
* Local Curriculum Guide 1 and 2

Digital versions of this pack are available on [education.govt.nz](https://www.education.govt.nz/). If you would like to order additional supports and resources, you can do this by contacting [orders@thechair.minedy.govt.nz](mailto:orders@thechair.minedy.govt.nz). For further information about the range of supports and resources you can contact us at [AotearoaNewZalandHistories@education.govt.nz](mailto:AotearoaNewZalandHistories@education.govt.nz).

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Aotearoa New Zealand’s histories

Here are some resources designed to help you get started with planning, teaching,and learning about Aotearoa New Zealand’s histories (ANZH).

More supports and resources are available at [**aotearoahistories.education.govt.nz/resources**](https://aotearoahistories.education.govt.nz/resources) and we will continue to update and add to them to support you in your implementation.

Planning

ANZH Leading Local Curriculum content and Cards

The curriculum cards help schools plan together to design their local curriculum –

# [aotearoahistories.education.govt.nz/resources](https://aotearoahistories.education.govt.nz/resources)

Introducing Aotearoa New Zealand’s histories: Writers group video

Find out about the development and key features of Aotearoa New Zealand’s histories curriculum – [**aotearoahistories.education.govt.nz/resources**](https://aotearoahistories.education.govt.nz/resources)

Aotearoa New Zealand’s histories in action videos, planning log template and examples These videos show teachers actively trialing element of the ANZH curriculum content in their classrooms – [**aotearoahistories.education.govt.nz/resources**](https://aotearoahistories.education.govt.nz/resources)

Teaching

Nelly in Aotearoa, years 1-3

Four animated videos and accompanying Teacher Support Materials –

# [aotearoahistories.education.govt.nz/resources](https://aotearoahistories.education.govt.nz/resources)

Tūhura: Aotearoa Explorers years 1-10

Tūhura provides four levelled collections of historical prompts. Including templates for students and teacher guidance – [**aotearoahistories.education.govt.nz/resources**](https://aotearoahistories.education.govt.nz/resources)

Connected – Culture and Histories Series

The Connected series now focuses on histories and culture and will be available in te reo Māori and English language

# versions – [aotearoahistories.education.govt.nz/resources](https://aotearoahistories.education.govt.nz/resources)

Teacher support materials: School Journal Histories collections, Years 1-10

These materials show how the School Journal series can be used to support learning in ANZH – [**aotearoahistories.education.govt.nz/resources**](https://aotearoahistories.education.govt.nz/resources)

Building Aotearoa New Zealand’s histories knowledge & competencies RNZ – The Aotearoa History Show

A podcast and video series that provides a great overview of Aotearoa’s history –

# [www.rnz.co.nz/programmes/the-aotearoa-history-show](http://www.rnz.co.nz/programmes/the-aotearoa-history-show)

National Library

Explore the many and diverse National Library collections – [**natlib.govt.nz/collections**](https://natlib.govt.nz/collections)

Te Ahu o Te Reo Māori

A programme to support the planning, delivery and integration of te reo Māori in the learning environment – [**Kauru.co.nz/te-ahu-o-te-reo-maori**](https://kauru.co.nz/te-ahu-o-te-reo-maori/)

Unteach Racism (Teaching Council)

Tools and resources of Unteach Racism are for Teachers to self-reflect – [**unteachracism.nz**](https://www.unteachracism.nz/)

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