



Water supply reminders



Flush your water system at start of term

Run every tap for a few minutes. This will kickstart your water system, get rid of surface contaminants around taps and drinking fountains, and flush stagnant water out of your pipes. Do this before ākonga arrive if possible.



Do the monthly sampling and testing of your water for bacteria

Get your sample off to the lab and immediately log your returned results in Argest online.



Check your registration with the water regulator

Update your Taumata Arowai registration information in their online portal Hinekōrako. If you don't have a login, contact Taumata Arowai via their website for a temporary login. Once you have a permanent login, update your water supply information. If you are not already registered with Taumata Arowai, carry on with testing and maintenance as per usual.



Check your maintenance schedule and do any maintenance that is due

We encourage schools to contract an experienced local contractor to undertake regular maintenance and servicing e.g., three-monthly.

Note: information on reclaiming costs of regular maintenance using our reimbursement process is on the MoE web page 'Drinking water in schools'.

