



Briefing Note: Visit to Te Ranga School, on Friday 1 September 2023

To:	Hon Jan Tinetti, Minister of Education		
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Purpose of Briefing Note

The purpose of this paper is to support your visit to Te Ranga School in Te Puke on Friday 1 September at 2:00pm to attend the blessing of two new classrooms at the school.

A run sheet for the visit is attached. Annex 1 refers.

Proactive Release

1. **Agree** that the Ministry of Education release this briefing in full once it has been considered by you.

Agree / Disagree

Jocelyn Mikaere
Hautū | Deputy Secretary
Te Mahau | Te Tai Whenua (Central)

25/08/2023

Hon Jan Tinetti
Minister of Education

01/09/2023

Te Ranga School (2019)

Contact Name: Aimee Kennedy
Te Ranga School

Address: 1492 Te Matai Road
Te Puke
RD8

Key People

Acting Principal: Aimee Kennedy
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Ministry Official: Tui Rolleston
Director of Education, Bay of Plenty - Waiariki
Te Mahau | Te Tai Whenua (Central)
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Profile Information

Authority	State
School Type	Full Primary (Year1-8)
School Gender	Co-Ed
Education Medium	English Medium
Equity Index Rating	447
Electorate	Rotorua
Te Mahau Region	Te Tai Whenua

The July 2022 breakdown of roll information by ethnicity is shown below:

July 2022 Roll	Number	Percentage (%)
Māori	59	38.3%
Pacific	2	1.3%
Asian	6	3.9%
Other ethnicity	3	1.9%
European/Pākehā	84	54.5%
International	0	0
Total	154	100%

Te Ranga School Context

1. Te Ranga School is a seven teacher school in Te Puke catering for Year 1-8 ākonga with a roll of approximately 150 ākonga.
2. This school has been providing full primary education in the rural community since 1927.

3. The permanent principal, Brendan Wilson, is currently seconded to Te Mahau as a Leadership Advisor assisting principals in schools. The acting principal, Aimee Kennedy, is new to the position.
4. The school's roll has grown in the last decade necessitating an enrolment scheme and roll growth classrooms.
5. The Bush Classroom is an evolving teaching and learning asset. It is an excellent example of collaboration between the community, iwi and kura.
6. Te Ranga School won the Rabobank Good Deeds Award in 2022 and in March this year, 30 Rabobank staff assisted in creating the walkways and viewing platform. The day aired on ZB's national programme "The Country Show."
7. The Hawk Academy is the Year 7 and 8 programme that supports retention of intermediate age ākonga. It promotes leadership, tuakana teina relationships through an outdoors focus.

Education Review Office

8. Te Ranga School was last reviewed by the Education Review Office (ERO) in November 2022. ERO recommended that, Te Ranga school will prioritise outcomes of equity and excellence for all learners through:
 - consolidation and consistent schoolwide use of learning progressions for reading, writing and mathematics
 - prioritising authentic, motivating learning experiences and high expectations of success for every learner as they journey through the school
 - focusing on embedding te reo, te ao and tikanga Māori
 - strengthening whānau and community partnerships to support valued outcomes for all learners.

Kāhui Ako | Communities of Learning

9. The school belongs to Te Puke Kāhui Ako.

Learning Support

10. The school is part of the Te Puke cluster, which has been allocated one Learning Support Coordinators (LSC). The LSC is not based at Te Ranga School and is shared across the cluster.

Participation in government programmes

School Donations Scheme

11. The school opted-in to the School Donations Scheme for 2023 and received \$23,734.48 in lieu of donations in 2023.

Ka Ora, Ka Ako | Healthy School Lunch Programme

12. The school is not eligible for this programme.

Ikura | Manaakitia te whare tangata – Period products in schools initiative

13. The school opted into the programme in February 2021. It has no dispensers on-site but is actively ordering product.

Creatives in Schools

14. The school did apply for Round 5 of the Creatives in Schools projects, however no result is available as the selection process is not yet complete.

Impact of COVID-19

15. Te Ranga School received Loss of Learning funding of \$2,721.75.


Property

16. Due to the location of the school the Board can struggle with projects as it is difficult to get contractors to attend. There has been a high turnover of Project Managers.
17. The overall property condition is considered average. The school has seven teaching spaces, including the two new offsite manufactured buildings (OMB).
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Annual Maintenance	\$ 13,063.00
Current 5YA allocation	\$130,188.00
Previous 5YA allocation	\$116,645.17
19. The School Investment Package (SIP) funding of \$43,879 has been used for tree removal and turf works and \$54,527 is planned to be used for a refurbishment of the pool changing sheds and toilets.
20. The offsite manufactured buildings, (OMB) to support roll growth, which are being blessed today, are now waiting for the Certificate for Public Use - which will occur in the next few weeks.

Other known risks or issues

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23. It is recommended that this Briefing Note is proactively released, with any information needing to be withheld done so in line with the provisions of the Official Information Act 1982.

Annexes

The following are annexed to this paper:

Annex 1: Run Sheet

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Annex 1 Run Sheet

Time	Activity	Other details
2:00pm	Minister Tinetti arrives and is greeted by Ministry representative and Principal. Manuhiri gather at gate for Pōwhiri.	Other attendees include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tui Rolleston Director of Education for Bay of Plenty - Waiairiki, Te Mahau Te Tai Whenua (Central)
2:05pm	Pōwhiri commences.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minister to be supported by local iwi and or Te Mahau staff to respond to kāranga. • Waiata and Whaikōrero by ākonga. • Principal's welcome
2:15pm	Blessing and opening of new classrooms.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Iwi to bless classrooms. • Look through buildings.
2:30pm - 2:45pm	School and bush classroom tour.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tour through the bush classroom, discuss pest control programme with ākonga etc.