



PLANNING, POLICY & REVIEW SCHOOL SUMMARY ARORANGI SCHOOL – NOVEMBER 2011

To the parents, caregivers and community of Arorangi School

On the 7-10th November, 2011 the Ministry of Education's Planning, Policy and Review (PPR) Division undertook a full education review of the school's staff, systems, teaching programmes and resources. The following is an executive summary of our findings.

Review Purpose and Coverage

The purpose of this review was to address progress made towards the recommendations made in the previous review in September, 2010. PPR reviews do not cover every aspect of school performance and each PPR report may cover different issues. The aim is to provide information on aspects that are central to student achievement and useful to this school.

Summary of Findings

Arorangi School caters to 124 students from ECE to Years 8. The school is well resourced and has a supportive School Committee who work closely with the school to assist with the ongoing improvements to both the learning and physical environment. Facilities include a well stocked library, a computer suite and a new Food and Technology room. The school grounds and facilities are safe and well maintained.

There were a number of areas of good practices at the school that are commendable. These include the Maori Week full of cultural activities and teachers high use of Cook Islands Maori in the school. Classrooms were vibrant with plenty of student work on display.

Teachers will need to constructively and consistently evaluate each unit upon completion for the planning cycle to be complete and of value. They also need to focus on catering for different ability levels and use appropriate activities for students' levels to ensure all students are catered for. A team effort is required to achieve excellence across the board at Arorangi School

Although there are still administrative areas requiring attention for compliance, the school is being well managed and has a supportive school committee who work closely with the Principal to provide assistance where they can. One teacher requires a Supplementary Review visit.

Future Action

Arorangi Primary School is scheduled for a Supplementary Review of compliance directives in Term 1 of 2012. Additional Supplementary Review of staff requiring additional support will also take place at this time.

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