



PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT SCHOOL SUMMARY

TUKAO SCHOOL 2012

To the parents, caregivers and community of Tukao School

On the 12, 14 and 17 September 2012 the Ministry of Education's Planning and Development (P and D) department 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 view the school holistically in all areas of learning offered at Tukao School. P and D reviews do not cover every aspect of school performance and each P and D 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

Tukao School is a state school in Manihiki. The school roll of 30 students ranging from ECE to Year 10 is taught in three composite classes by the principal and two other teachers. The school has a newly upgraded library, a computer lab, a sheltered ECE playground and a large veranda adjacent to the sandy playing field.

The three experienced teachers are working well together and using their particular strengths to provide an appropriate and interesting learning environment for their students. There is an ongoing school focus on improving literacy. To support this, wherever possible, lesson content is selected which is of relevance to the students and relates to their own experiences. Friday's activities session takes the form of board and other games which are selected to encourage the students to challenge themselves numerically and orally while being involved in friendly competition

The School Committee is actively involved in school matters, meeting regularly to review policies where necessary and to plan appropriate fundraising activities.

The next steps will be to further monitor teaching success and students' progress through the evaluation of unit plans and the provision of feedback to students in as many ways as possible, both oral and written. Compliance matters carried over since the previous review now need urgent attention and all planning and documentation must be updated at the beginning of each year as part of the review process.

Future Action

The next full education review will be in 2014

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