

'A wonderful and treasured resource': RTLB and library use

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#### What you said about the library

\*Absolutely wonderful \* Excellent service \* Nothing is a problem \* First Rate! \* Easy access \* User friendly \* Invaluable resource \* Unbelievably quick \* Keeps us up to date \* Access to current research \* \* A wonderful and treasured resource\*



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### Outline

- About the library
- Data: library use 2008-09
- Opinion: What you said about the library service

- Actions in response to feedback
- How to get the most value out of your library use

## The Library in 2009

An education sector resource for:

- Ministry staff
- NZQA, Career Services, TEC, NZ Teachers Council
- RTLB & RTLit
- Special education providers
- Early childhood providers



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## **RTLB library users**

No. of registered borrowers	603
No. of clusters with access to Education Library website	174





## Library use by RTLB 2008-09

Library services	Jul 08-Jun 09
Loans	421
Journal articles supplied	964
Literature searches	75



## Literature searches: key topics

ADHD\*Adoption\*Aspergers syndrome\* Behaviour support/models/difficulties\* Dyslexia\*Giftedness\*Mentoring\*Writing\* Reciprocal teaching\*Supervision\* Transitions\*Restorative practices\*



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## Library use 2008-09

What we can't measure:

- Number of library catalogue searches
- Number of external database searches
- Number of full text articles retrieved by RTLB from our online databases



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## Library user survey

- Invitations to everyone on our borrower database
- 527 respondents including 85 RTLB
- Exec summary of survey report on Education Library site
- Request a copy of full report from the library



## Key findings

- Very high levels of user satisfaction with library services
- Need for greater clarity about services
  & products
- Ongoing need for orientation sessions
  & workshops



## What you said...

Access to books and articles has assisted positive outcomes through the additional research used to support intervention planning



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## What you said...

I have been able to refer teachers to research that has underpinned my recommendations to them. This has added to my credibility as a provider of relevant strategies based on robust evidence



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## What you said...

➢ Went to a course a few weeks back and was able to come back to the office and follow up on some of the references for further reading. Invaluable!



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#### Satisfaction with the library service

#### 1 = very dissatisfied; 5 = very satisfied

	RTLB	AII
Mean ratings		respondents
Q.1 Ease of access	4.4	4.5
Q.2 Timeliness	4.5	4.7
Q.3 Relevance	4.5	4.5

## What you said: ease of access

- ➢ If I'm using it, it must be easy
- ➢ Brilliant access
- I need more help
- Having tuition at the beginning encouraged my use of the library
- Sometimes have trouble finding what I want on the site



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## What you said: timeliness

- Very quick turnaround
- Unbelievably prompt
- ➢Very efficient
- Speedy
- Sometimes within the hour



### What you said: relevance

- Suggestions are often made of resources I am not aware of
- Excellent resources, very pertinent
- ➤Good coverage
- They always check back with me if they need to
- The only problems are mine due to a lack of clarification
- ➢ Brilliant



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## Contribution to your work

Key areas of contribution

- Provides access to current literature
- Informs practice
- Assists decision making
- Supports evidence based practice
- Supports research
- Supports professional development



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## What you said: contribution to your work

- Contribution to work? They took the 'work' out of research I still feel like I cheated!
- I feel confident that I am passing on the most up to date information
- Very good professional back up to my work



# What you said: contribution to your work

This has made the most significant difference to my ability to access professional reading since becoming an RTLB

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Allowed me to incorporate latest research into my work

Enriched the interventions I am able to plan

## Support for study: clarification

- Ministry of Education library service is not a replacement for your university library
- Use your university library first
- Ministry of Education Library cannot interloan items for you



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## What a few of you don't like...

- Paying for your own postage to return library resources
- There is no inter-library loan service for RTLB

Note: Unless current funding is adjusted, this is unlikely to change



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## What you suggested

- Library business card for quick reference
- 1-page flyer that briefly outlines the resources
- Simple step by step pathway for accessing journals



## Actions in response to feedback

- Library business card available now!
- User help online coming soon
- Library FAQs coming soon
- Library orientations ask us to your regional meetings
- Effective searching workshops possibly next year's RTLB conference?



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## Maximise your library use

- Get help to search effectively
- Read online user help
- Ask library staff to help you
- Contact the library if you search & find nothing
- Read the new resources bulletins



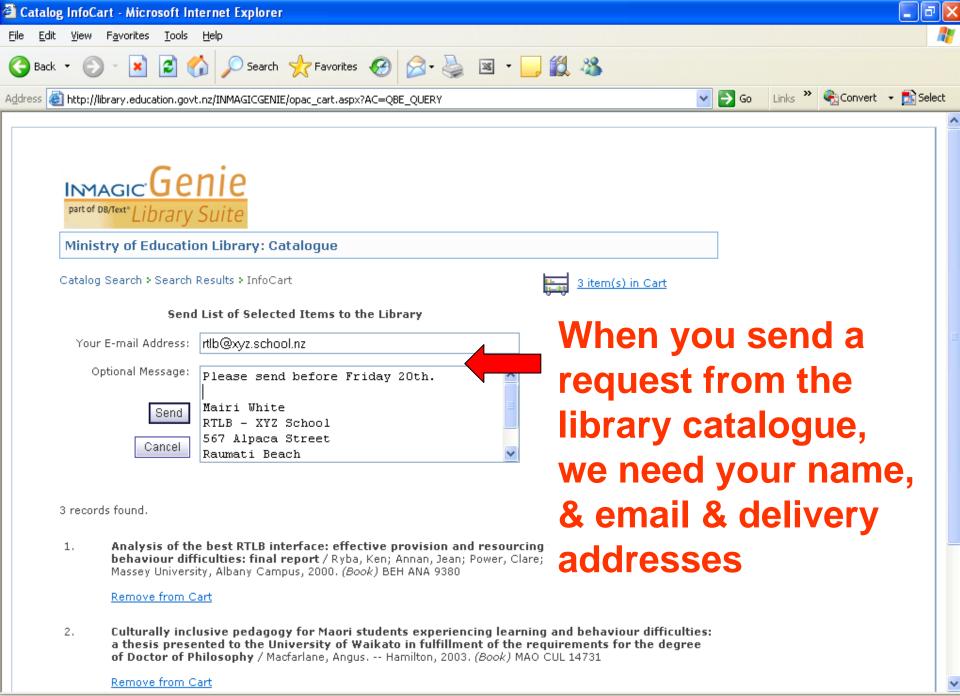
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- Your name (not just your cluster name)
- Postal address for mail
- Physical address for courier
- Phone number



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