# POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING

## **Restorative Practices**

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# **Restorative Practices**

Restorative Practices is an evidence-based, targeted and preventative intervention for at risk students. The intervention aligns with the Government's "Better Public Services", target of raising achievement and the Prime Minister's Youth Mental Health initiative (2011).

The evidence indicates Restorative Practices can be highly successful if it is implemented in a school where the whole school is committed to working on a common approach to improving learner behaviour. PB4L School-Wide works on developing a consistency of approach across a school and provides the ideal framework for Restorative Practices.

Another Government priority is to implement interventions that will support young Māori students to learn and achieve. Many traditional Māori ideas and practices inform restorative work.

Restorative Practices focuses on restoring relationships and provides schools with the practices and tools to achieve this.

# **Practices**

## **Restorative Basics – pumanawatanga**

The interrelationship between staff and students and the role the relationship plays in student behaviour, learning and achievement. The Practice provides ways for staff to reflect on the expectations they have of students and the teaching and behaviour management strategies they employ.

## Community Circles/Wā Rino

Structured circles used with students and colleagues to build connectedness and define learning intentions.

#### **Collegial Relationships at Work**

These are relational approaches used to build and maintain a healthy staff community.

#### **Restorative Conversations**

Simple, scripted problem-solving conversations with students.

### **Brief Restorative Interventions**

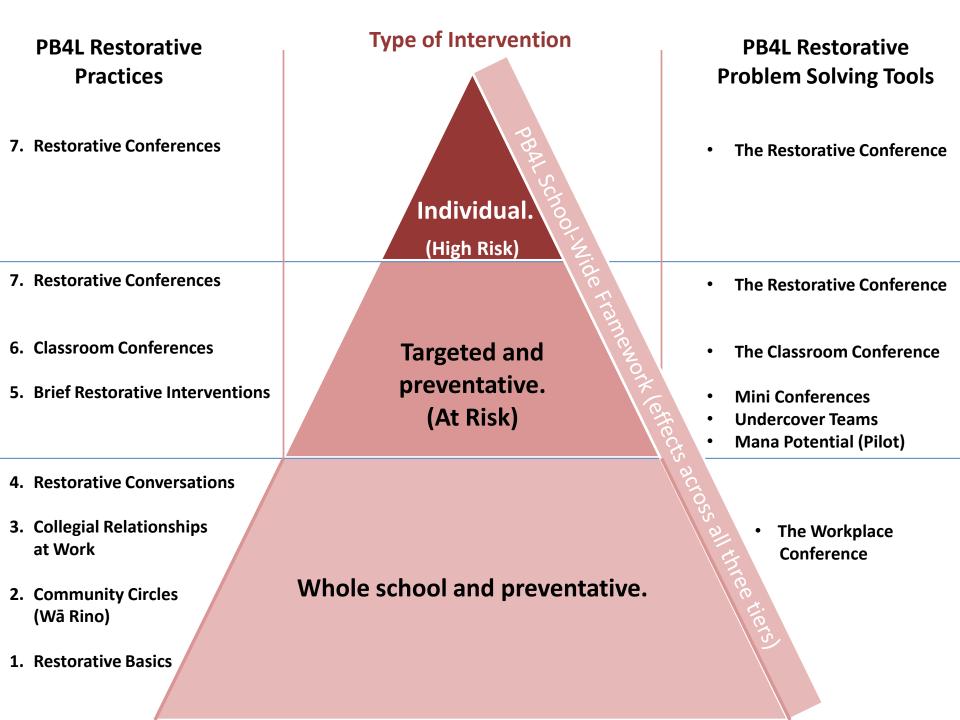
A collection of referral-based, restorative, problem-solving interventions.

#### **Classroom Conferences**

Structured problem-solving circles for large groups of students and their teachers.

#### **Restorative Conferences**

Formal conferences to address specific incidents of serious harm.

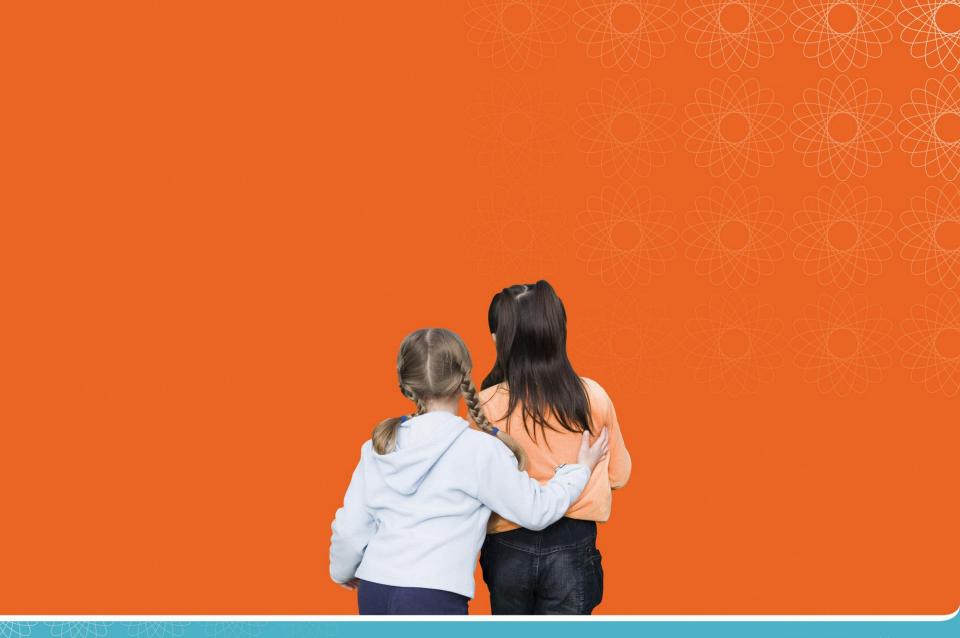


# Pilot

- Piloted in 2013
- In three areas Wanganui, Greater Wellington, Bay of Plenty
- Restorative Practices Coordinators work alongside School staff

- School-Wide Practitioners

- School Implementation Leaders
- Single schools, clusters, communities
- Practice work part school Action Plan and strategic planning
- Assessments provided for each practice
- Evaluation
- Training
- Manual
- Website <u>www.pb4l.tki.org.nz</u>
- Wellbeing <u>www.wellbeingatschool.org.nz</u>



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