

Resource Teacher: Learning & Behaviour Service Newsletter



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We are currently working with the RTLB Executive, and others within the service to update the RTLB Professional Practice Toolkit in preparation for *He Pikorua* being available online next term. The edited document will be shared with Ministry Managers Learning Support for their feedback during the school holidays. We hope to circulate the final Toolkit to clusters early in Term 3.



The resources: *About dyslexia: supporting literacy in the classroom;* and the *NZ Dyslexia Handbook* are due to be sent out to clusters during the week of 25 June.  Packages will be addressed to employing schools, to the attention of clusters.



As we draw closer to the roll-out of the standardised Learning Support Register (sLSR) on the Te Rito Platform, a [web page](http://education.govt.nz/our-work/changes-in-education/data-for-wellbeing-programme/te-rito-student-information-sharing/getting-ready-for-the-new-standardised-learning-support-register/) containing information on the sLSR is now available. This page contains information on the sLSR along with videos to help schools better understand its purpose and use, as well as tips for them to think about when creating a manual register and information sharing.

The Ministry are encouraging those schools with an existing register to align it with the common language of the sLSR.  The common language is essentially a list of the fields in the sLSR and is available to them via the website.  If schools can align their existing manual registers to use the common language to capture the same information, this will ease their transition to the sLSR.

Staff Changes



At the end of this term we will farewell

Jude Harris, Malia Tuala, and Sam Tiatia, managers of clusters 5, 6 and 4 respectfully.

Thank you both for your dedication to the RTLB service and to your teams during your time as cluster managers. We wish you well as you move on to new adventures.

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Kia ora koutou,

Welcome back to a new term which has plenty of challenges as schools plan to provide remote and face-to-face learning opportunities for their learners as we progress through COVID-19 Alert Levels. Please don’t hesitate to contact us if we can support you.

Lianne Kalivati and Marie Vanden Broeke

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31 May 2020 – 2019 Annual Financial Reports due

24 July – Term 1 qualitative data collection

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We have decided to cancel the RTLB Lead School Forum for 2020 with the agreement of the Exec.  We will work with members of the Exec to identify opportunities for Zoom professional learning and development over the coming months.

**Lead School Principals’ Executive group** meeting with Ministry staff

17 August

Reminders

From the Editor

Kia ora koutou,

Welcome back to what promises to be a very busy term.

This term we give a warm welcome to Ros Allan who has been appointed to the position of manager of cluster 38.

Fiona Harness (cluster 2) and Kate Endri (cluster 27) will be acting cluster managers for Kerrie Lomas and Annette MacDonald who are both on sabbatical in term 3.

Our thanks go to Wendy Jochem (Freyberg High School deputy principal) who has stepped down from her delegated responsibility of providing strategic support to cluster 26 since the transformation of the service in 2012. The principal Peter Brooks will be providing this support in future.

Lianne Kalivati, Learning Support

**National Lead School Forum 2017**

The National RTLB Lead School Forum for lead school principals and cluster managers will be held at the Brentwood Hotel, Wellington. CORE Education will once again be the conference organisers. They will be in touch with you in the next couple of weeks to organise travel and accommodation bookings on your behalf.

** Lead School Principals’ Executive group**

**Data Collection Dates for 2017**

We would appreciate it if you could follow up with your teams to ensure data is entered and ready for the Ministry to collect on the following dates:

-Friday 28 July 2017  
-Friday 20 October 2017



**RTLB Study Awards 2021**

Applications for 2021 RTLB study awards will open on 1st August 2020. Please remind those RTLB who are preparing to study, to submit an application noting the following:

* The online application form will be available from 1st August on the Ministry’s website. <https://www.education.govt.nz/school/people-and-employment/principals-and-teachers/scholarships-for-people-working-in-schools/special-education-study-awards-and-scholarships/learning-and-behaviour-study-award/>
* From 2021, Massey University is the single programme provider for the PG Diploma Specialist Teaching. Please send any programme related enquiries to:

*Roseanne MacGillivray  
Postgraduate Administrator*[*ioe-postgraduate@massey.ac.nz*](mailto:ioe-postgraduate@massey.ac.nz) *06 356 9099 Extn 83072*

* Please ensure those RTLB currently completing their first year of the study understand they WILL NOT need to apply again for the study award for 2021. The offer letter they received prior to commencing their first year covers two years of study so there is no need for them to re-apply for the award for their second year.
* As usual, the Ministry will not accept any late applications submitted after 30th September 2020, so please encourage your RTLB to submit their applications before the deadline.



The Ministry does not intend to retrieve unspent funds (surpluses) at the end of the 2020 school year. We will look at whether this is appropriate at the end of the current Funding Agreement term which takes us through until 31 December 2021.

General Information

**RTLB Enquiries mailbox**

For enquiries regarding the RTLB service, please email [RTLB.Enquiries@education.govt.nz](mailto:RTLB.Enquiries@education.govt.nz)

**In-Class Support**

For enquiries regarding In-Class Support, please contact your local Ministry office.

**Year 11+ Funding**

For enquiries regarding Year 11+ Funding (formerly RTLB Year 11-13 Funding), please contact your local Ministry office.

**Local Ministry offices**

For contact details and information on your local ministry office and 10 regions covering New Zealand, visit

[education.govt.nz/our-work/contact-us/regional-ministry-contacts/](http://www.education.govt.nz/our-work/contact-us/regional-ministry-contacts/)

**Learning Support Delivery Model**

Read more about the [Learning Support Delivery Model here.](https://conversation.education.govt.nz/conversations/learning-support-action-plan/new-approach-to-providing-learning-support/)

Learning Support Coordinators

Read more about [Learning Support Coordinators here.](https://conversation.education.govt.nz/conversations/learning-support-action-plan/learning-support-coordinators/)

**RTLB online toolkit**

The Professional Practice online toolkit <http://rtlb.tki.org.nz/>

**Surplus Funds**

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