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Photo: Waikato River

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It's a wrap ... thank you to all those who supported us this year!

Kia koutou. Welcome to our last newsletter for 2023—we had an industrious and fruitful year and pleased to report that with a grant from *Trust Waikato* we supported our first groups of children, aged between 7-14 really struggling with reading and writing Reo English. The children from Waingaro, Huntly, Hamilton, Whatawhata, Cambridge, Raglan and Te Uku are well behind their peers for reasons ranging from: Covid-19 interruptions preventing or limiting access to specialist and academic support; neurodiversity, dyslexia, dyspraxia, dyscalculia, dysgraphia; financial costs associated with diagnosis and access to qualified tutors, practitioners, specialists and training. The scope of work in 2023 ranges from 1:1, 2:1, group, classroom, teacher professional development, training specific for the school or child's needs and whānau support. We will measure impact in two ways: 1. Practitioner/teacher literacy assessments; 2. Huber Social Impact Surveys for children and whānau. We are excited and hope to see the

curve continue to raise, childing feeling happier, feeling good about themselves and engaging positively over 2024.

Thank you to the Trustees and staff at *Trust Waikato* for your continued operations and project support. Thank you to the *Lotteries Grant Board* for supporting our projects; *WEL Energy Trust* for sponsoring technology including Chromebooks and laptops for children and teachers at Nga Taiatea Wharekura and Tui Trust technology upgrades; *PwC Hamilton* staff for sponsoring Moko Clubs Ngāruawāhia Xmas parties for the 8th year in a row; *DV Bryant* for funding that supported Moko Club Ngāruawāhia projects; *Craig Barrett at Bakertilly Staples Rodway* for sponsoring our accounting systems; thank you to our individual and anonymous sponsors and the amazing group of education practitioners and teachers around the country that volunteered their time and expertise to help us—thank you all for entrusting us with the responsibility to interrupt the inter-generational cycle of disadvantage ensuring all children have access to quality education and opportunities. Lastly thank you to the *Ministry of Social Development* for supporting our **Maara Kai Garden to Table and Environment** projects, pictured left is a photo from Moko Club Ngāruawāhia gardens. We look forward to seeing some great results next year.

We wish you a Merry Christmas and a safe, peaceful summer break, from the Tui Trust team, Tania Simpson, Piki Knap, Fonteyn Moses-Te Kani and Lee Major.



Moko Club Ngāruawāhia
Garden to Table Project





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Behind the scenes .. the Bakertilly team!

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Working behind the scenes are our team at [Bakertilly Staples Rodway Hamilton](#) who do our monthly accounts, GST, end of year accounts and ensure that we are running smoothly and are always available for professional advice and support. The team pictured above on the right are our account managers Carol and Louie who are sponsored by Craig Barrett, Partner at Bakertilly Hamilton (pictured left is Piki and Lee). We are grateful to Craig for sponsoring the accounts for Tui Trust. Knowing you are managing our finances and ensuring our legal responsibilities are being met means we can confidently get on with the job of supporting the community. Thank you team, you do an amazing job and we couldn't do what we do without you.

Thank you to our Sponsors and Supporters 2023



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Keeping up with demand Technology Upgrades!



Pictured: new laptops for teachers at Nga Taiatea Wharekura Reo English class.



We would like to extend our gratitude to *WEL Energy Trust* Trustees, David Cowley and Shelley Helpin for their recent \$7,500 QR Grant support. The teachers at Nga Taiatea Wharekura now have new laptops (Natalie pictured above) for teachers in the Reo English class. Kaiako are learning to use [Learning Matters](#) sophisticated on-line iDeal On-Line Platform for child data assessments, books and training portals (pictured below). Keeping up with technology demand, having capable computers ensuring fast access to this incredible on-line platform is crucial. Our focus in 2022 was classroom set of chrome books (pictured left) so all children have access to Google Classroom. In 2023 our focus is ensuring teachers are equipped with up-to-date technology to help carry out their work. We are grateful to *WEL Energy Trust* for support our *Access Projects* for two years in a row.

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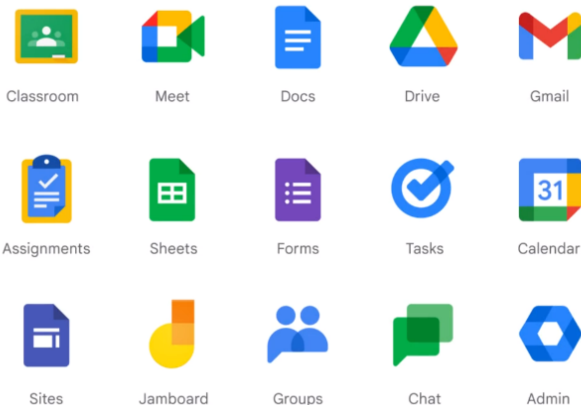
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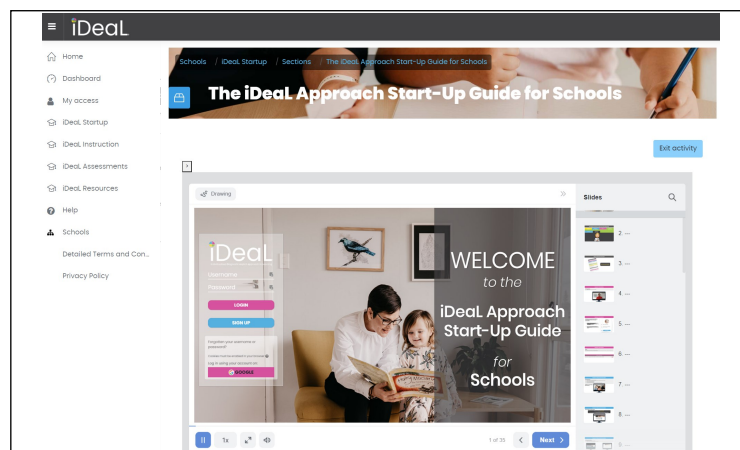
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Tui Trust Supports Maara Kai 'Garden to Table' Projects



The *Food Secure Communities Programme* provides support for community food providers who are working alongside people and whānau experiencing food insecurity. The programme invested in community distribution infrastructure which created significant efficiencies in the procurement and distribution of community food. Communities are also supported to develop food security plans and pilot projects to increase vulnerable communities access to affordable, nutritious, and culturally appropriate kai. Groups involved in the gardens we support wish to protect their ancestral food systems, cultural knowledge, practices, and ceremonies associated with the production, distribution and consumption of food. There is an emphasis on providing healthy and freely available kai for as many as possible.

Pictured left is a small back-yard garden over a six month period, this is the first time the kids have grown their own vegetables. We had wonderful feedback and the kids spent a lot of time photographing, watering, harvesting and eating fresh veges. Great job! Another initiative we support is Te Kuiti based Maniapoto Maara Kai Roopu Maara Kai (pictured below). The work delivered by this group also includes a budgeting cooking programme to teach people/community how to eat healthy kai on a budget, cooking meals and preserving. All produce from this garden is donated to local food-banks. This maara kai roopu has harvested over a staggering 4.5 ton in the past three years. We also support Intermediate and High School with over 150 students involved. Our July 2023 newsletter featured a story about the Nga Taiatea Wharekura Maara Kai Gardens—these gardens (Moko Club Ngāruawāhia photo on page 1) are on-going and we look forward to updates in 2024.



Photos: Maniapoto Maara Kai Roopu—Te Kuiti





Loving our community projects!

So much of our time is spent sitting behind computer screens, keyboard clicking furiously, on the phone and hui, which is great, but one of the best parts of our work at Tui Trust is getting out of the office and being involved in community projects. Taupiri Hangi: A child-led project Tui Trust purchased the meat, vegetables, bread all the necessary food items for a huge hangi in Taupiri which was turned out over 300 meals! Supporting our local businesses pictured above is Frankton Butcher who always gives us a smile and good deal, picture left is the custom designed hangi pot and below the kids digging in.

Supported by The Ministry of Social Development.





Photo from left: Carla McNeil, Emily Hanford, Kade (Hamilton youth representative), Lorraine Hammond and Pamela Snow.

Cultivating the Literacy Landscape Powered by Learning MATTERS

Bridging research to practice in reading instruction and support.

Join **EMILY HANFORD**, **PAMELA SNOW** and **LORRAINE HAMMOND**

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Photo from left: Robyn Warden, Emily Hanford and Dr Olwyn Johnston. Photos taken by Lee Major, Tui Trust

Read, Write and Spell—Professional Development with Learning Matters, Cultivating the Literacy Landscape Symposia

This event was inspiring, empowering, and motivating where we were fortunate to listen and learn from three inspiring keynote speakers; Emily Hanford, Professor Pamela Snow, and Associate Professor Lorraine Hammond. We walked away with a wealth of knowledge about the WHY, WHAT, and HOW of literacy evidence-based instruction. It is important that our team at Tui Trust understand the literacy landscape in New Zealand so we can better serve our community. PD, training and talking to teachers and leaders is a very important step. This was also a good opportunity for us to spend time with Dr Olwyn Johnston (pictured left) [The Kiwi Reading Doctor](#) who was one of our speakers at our *Creating a Literate Community II* conference in October. We also talked to the amazing speakers who were really interested in what Tui Trust does and why. Here is a summary of the speakers:

Emily Hanford: Why are we here? The current state of Literacy (globally) and how we've got to be where we are in 2023.

Prof. Pamela Snow: What the research tells us about how the brain learns to read, the *Science of Reading* and how we bridge research to practice. **When we know better we can do better.**

Dr Lorraine Hammond: Teaching practices that are and will lead to increased student outcomes in literacy. How can we raise the literacy rates of our most vulnerable students - practical tips.

Panel discussion guests included Professor James Chapman and talked about what is happening in New Zealand education to make change and what more is necessary. The panel discussion bridged the incredible work happening from a grass roots level and made connections to the keynote presentations. Super impressive day! The below insights link is worth a read.

Insights from Cultivating the Literacy Landscape Symposia by Ruth Blair [here](#)