**RTLB CLUSTER 16 - NAWTON SCHOOL**

**Update to Schools – October 2022**

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Kia Ora Cluster Principals, SENCOs, LSCs

I trust you managed to enjoy some non-contact time during the recent break. Let’s hope we can finish the year with minimal disruption. Thank you for the continued support that you have shown to RTLB Cluster 16 this year. I have enjoyed the school visits, telephone calls and emails I have received from schools this year that affirm the work our 43 RTLBs are doing in our 84 schools. We look forward to continuing to support students, whaanau and schools. I enjoy challenges that provide the cluster with opportunities for improvement so please do not hesitate to contact me or your liaison RTLB if you would like the cluster to review any aspect of our work.

**Review and Intake Meetings**

Term four R & I meetings will be held at 8:30am on the following dates; Thursday 20 October, Wednesday 26 October, Thursday 3 November, Thursday 10 November and Thursday 17 November. If you wish to have a Request for Support (RFS) considered for RTLB support, please ensure you have completed the online RFS and notified your Liaison RTLB. Note, the last R & I meeting for 2022 will be on Thursday 17 November. Any urgent Requests for Support after this date, should, in the first instance, be made via an email to Graeme Nobilo - [gnobilo@rtlbcluster16.co.nz](mailto:gnobilo@rtlbcluster16.co.nz)

**Staffing**

We said goodbye to RTLB Denise Hird at the end of last term. Denise ended her fifty-one years in primary school education. Besides her contribution to education, many of you will know of Denise’s immense contribution to NZEI over the years. On behalf of the many, many students, whaanau, teachers and school communities, we thank Denise and wish her all the very best for the future.

I would like to extend a warm welcome to two new RTLB – Catherine Lynagh and Anna Littler. They will be hosted at the offices at Vardon and Hamilton Junior High School respectively. I look forward to them making positive contributions to the cluster/schools with their knowledge and expertise.

**RTLB Host Schools**

Once again, thank you to those principals and kura who have historically or recently taken on the role of hosting RTLB. We appreciate the support you show to our cluster through this role.

**RTLB Term Dates for the end of 2022, and the start of 2023**

The school year ends for Nawton School (the Lead School for our cluster), on Tuesday 20 December 2022. Nawton School opens for students on Tuesday 7 February 2023. Graeme Nobilo, RTLB Cluster Manager, will have a skeleton staff available earlier than this date in 2023 if any school has an urgent challenge for which it would like support. For any such challenge prior to 7 February 2023, please contact Graeme Nobilo to discuss options. Note: Any queries regarding Requests for Support already allocated, please contact the respective RTLB.

**RTLB Database - eRTLB**

Reminder - if you need any assistance, please contact your Liaison RTLB.

**In Class Support (ICS)**

MoE will fund 180 students in our cluster with In-Class Support (ICS) funding for 2023.  We received 415 applications from our 84 cluster schools for the contestable 180 spaces. Many thanks to those who submitted applications. The ICS panel met to initially go through the applications individually and you will have been contacted if further information was needed on the student you were applying on behalf of. The final panel meeting was held on the 19th October to allocate the spaces for 2023. You will be notified within 3 weeks of the panel meeting to let you know if the students you applied for have been allocated ICS funding for 2023. Every year a waiting list of 20 students, ranked in order of need is formed to quickly take the place of those allocated students who leave school, leave the country, or become ORS funded. If you have any questions or require information pertaining to ICS, please contact RTLB Practice Leader Kay Petchell – [kpetchell@rtlbcluster16.co.nz](mailto:kpetchell@rtlbcluster16.co.nz)

**Incredible Years for Teachers (IYT)**

Bette-May currently has twenty-one names from ten schools confirmed for 2023. There are some schools to be contacted to check if they still want spaces held. This would mean two mainstream courses running in 2023.

We now have Joanna Crawshay trained in IY Autism and are able to run a course assisted by MOE trained facilitators for New Entrant teachers only. Bette-May is actively seeking names of NE teachers for this course. These courses have less people and are much closer together and run for half days. Joanna and I will contact those schools registering interest.

We intend to train an RTLB Maaori to run a course in Kura. We currently have seven places from four Kura.

As the year is running away from us, could Bette-May please have names ASAP for any IYT related courses. Please email names to [bwaine@rtlbcluster16.co.nz](mailto:bwaine@rtlbcluster16.co.nz). Any questions or requests for information pertaining to IYT can also be emailed to Bette-May.

**Te Waka Tamariki:**

If you have any questions or require information pertaining to the work of Te Waka Tamariki, please contact RTLB Gayle Addy -[gaddy@rtlbcluster16.co.nz](mailto:gaddy@rtlbcluster16.co.nz)

**Gateway**

If you have any questions or require information pertaining to Gateway, please contact RTLB Practice Leader Leeana Herewini – lherewini@rtlbcluster16.co.nz

**Special Assessment Conditions (SAC)**

If any secondary school or wharekura requires information about the SAC process, please contact RTLB Sue Taylor - [staylor@rtlbcluster16.co.nz](mailto:staylor@rtlbcluster16.co.nz)

All the very best for the term - take care, stay safe

Ngaa mihi

Graeme Nobilo

RTLB Cluster 16 Manager