



RTL B CLUSTER 16 - NAWTON SCHOOL



Update to Schools – Term Four 2025

Mehemea ka moemoeā ahau, ko ahau anake. Mehemea ka moemoeā tātou, ka taea e tātou.
If I dream, I dream alone. If we dream together, we shall achieve. Te Puea Herangi

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Kia ora cluster principals, SENCos, and LSCs,

I hope you were able to enjoy some well-earned non-contact time over the recent break. Thank you for your ongoing support of RTL B Cluster 16 throughout the year. It has been a pleasure connecting with many of you through school visits, phone calls, and emails that acknowledge and affirm the valuable work our 48 RTL B are doing across our 83 schools. We remain committed to supporting students, whaanau, and school communities, and we welcome any feedback that helps us grow and improve our practice. Please don't hesitate to get in touch with me or your liaison RTL B if there's any aspect of our service you'd like us to review.

Staffing

RTL B Megan Leitch-Carroll was appointed to an RTL B position in Cluster 32, which began near the start of last term. RTL B Carol Leishman has secured an RTL B position in Cluster 17. On behalf of the many students, whaanau, teachers, and school communities they have supported, we extend our heartfelt thanks to Megan and Carol and wish them every success in the next chapter of their RTL B journeys. We're pleased to warmly welcome Olivia Waugh and Lisa James to our team. Both have been appointed to permanent RTL B positions. We look forward to the valuable knowledge and expertise they will bring as they contribute positively to our cluster and schools. We also welcome back RTL B Paula White.

Review and Intake meetings

Term Four R & I meetings will be held at 8:30am on the following dates: Thursday 9 October, Thursday 16 October, Thursday 23 October, Thursday 30 October and Wednesday 5 November. If you wish to have a Request for Support (RFS) considered for RTL B support, please ensure you have completed the online RFS and notified your Liaison RTL B. Note, the last R & I meeting for 2025 will be on Wednesday 5 November.

RTL B host schools

Once again, thank you to those principals and kura who have historically or recently taken on the role of hosting RTL B. We appreciate the support you show to our cluster through this role. If you are considering hosting RTL B, please contact Graeme Nobilo.

RTLb term dates for the end of 2025, and the start of 2026

The school year ends for Nawton School (the lead school for our cluster), on Friday 19 December 2025. Nawton School opens for students on Monday 2 February 2026. For any queries regarding requests for support prior to 2 February 2026, please contact your liaison RTLb to discuss options. Note: Any queries regarding requests for support already allocated, please contact the allocated RTLb.

Learning, learning and behaviour requests for support

A reminder that requests for support for learning must include attached documents highlighting learning levels. This is so that the R and I panel can review documents to make informed decisions as to whether the request meets criteria.

RTLb database (eRTLb)

If you need assistance regarding eRTLb, please contact your Liaison RTLb.

Learning Support Funding

RTLb can apply for Learning Support Funding at a maximum of \$500.00 + gst per term for two terms. Note: The LSF application is an outcome from the collaborative action plan hui. Learning Support Funding applications are received and considered weekly.

Universal Design for Learning (UDL) presentation

A presentation on *Universal Design for Learning (UDL)* has been created to support your school's understanding of UDL. It outlines the key principles of UDL and provides guidance on how these can be applied to strengthen teaching and learning for all ākonga.

The presentation can be accessed here: [UDL Presentation](#)

For further information or to discuss the application of UDL within your school, please contact your liaison RTLb.

Incredible Years for Teachers (IYT)

If you would like to add a teacher/s to an IYT course next year please contact RTLb Joanna Crawshaw jcrawshaw@rtlbcluster16.co.nz. We would like all names in by Friday 14th November, end of week 6.

The teacher release payment of \$1150 inc gst per teacher will be paid towards the end of T3 after Session 5. For the payment to be made the teacher attendance must not drop below 80%.

Incredible Years Autism - Teacher (IYA-T)

Junior school teachers are invited to register for IYA-T courses in Hamilton for 2026.

Registration criteria: The teacher needs to have a child in their class aged 5 or 6 who has been diagnosed with autism or displays characteristics consistent with autism. This programme is run over 6 sessions (9am-12.30pm) with visits after session 2 and 4. The teacher release payment from MOE is \$900.00 per teacher. Teachers registering should register here: <https://app.forms.education.govt.nz/forms/view/iya001>

Te Waka Tamariki (formerly Children's Team):

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

Gateway

If you have any questions or require information pertaining to Gateway, please contact practice leader Kay Petchell - kpetchell@rtlbcluster16.co.nz

All the very best for the term.

Ngaa mihi

Graeme Nobilo
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