

Te Waharoa Ararau

Overview of Te Waharoa Ararau (TWA)

Te Waharoa Ararau symbolises the multiple pathways available to students to enjoy and achieve educational success. Te Waharoa is the gateway and Ararau is the multiple pathways that are available once you pass through Te Waharoa.

Together Te Waharoa Ararau and Aromatawai are mechanisms that provide us with ways of focussing on the student, what they can do, and their learning journey based on knowledge drawn from a relationship between pouako and ākongā.

TWA has been developed by the Ministry of Education to assist with the collection, analysis and reporting of school-level achievement information for all Year 1 - 8 students.

Key Messages

Te Waharoa Ararau:

- Kura must register in order to receive access to support. To register visit <http://tewaharoaararau.vln.school.nz>
- has been developed in collaboration with kura, schools and Māori-Medium leaders to assist their planning and reporting requirements.
- assists with the collection, collation, analysis and reporting of Ngā Whanaketanga Rumaki Māori achievement at an individual, class and school-wide level to students, their whānau, teachers and school leadership.
- has been developed to assist with the collection, analysis and reporting of Ngā Whanaketanga Rumaki Māori achievement information by whanaketanga and year level.
- records Overall Teacher Judgments (OTJs) for Te Reo Matatini through kōrero, pānui, tuhituhi and pāngarau through te tau me te taurangi, te ine me te āhuahanga and te tauanga me te tūponotanga.
- identifies those students who need support to lift their literacy and numeracy learning needs.
- allows teachers and leaders to monitor student progress and achievement across the whole school over time and on an annual basis.
- generates reports from OTJs made by teachers and leaders so they can work with whānau and students to plan their next steps in learning.
- enables teachers and leaders to build a rich kura-wide evidence base to support quality literacy and numeracy teaching and learning across Te Marautanga o Aotearoa.

Frequently Asked Questions

We have a Student Management System (SMS) so why do we need this tool?

SMS are not able to capture Ngā Whanaketanga Rumaki Māori data yet. TWA is designed specifically to collect Ngā Whanaketanga Rumaki Māori achievement information.

Who has access to the data?

Only users registered by your kura or school administrator can access student information in TWA. The Ministry of Education does not have access to information stored in the database.

How do we register?

You will need to assign a person to register on behalf of your kura or school. This person will then complete an ESL form and contact the TWA support centre to setup an account. Once the account has been setup, this person will be made a school administrator for the account. The school administrator can then add staff members themselves.

Can our kura administer the tool ourselves?

Yes, when your account is setup an administrator from your kura is allocated the rights to add and delete users as you wish. Your kura is able to control who has access to your account and school data.

Will the tool cost us anything?

No, because it is a Ministry developed and managed tool. Your school may incur a charge to convert student information from your Student Management System (SMS) into the CSV template.

Can the tool be downloaded to laptops or servers?

No, it is a web-based tool managed by the Ministry to ensure privacy protocols are maintained. The tool can only be accessed via the Internet.

Can we make adjustments to the tool?

No, you cannot make adjustments to the tool but you can make adjustments to the information you enter into TWA. However, we welcome suggestions as to how TWA could be improved. Please email suggestions to: tewaharoa.ararau@minedu.govt.nz

Can this tool produce the Ngā Whanaketanga Rumaki Māori NAG2A Report that has to be submitted to the Ministry each year?

Yes, TWA has the functionality to produce your Ngā Whanaketanga Rumaki Māori NAG2A report. This has been embedded into TWA. It is the NAG2A tab but can only be seen by those who have an Administration role.

Where can we get support?

For help and technical support please contact the support desk:

Email: tewaharoa.ararau@minedu.govt.nz

Phone: (04) 463 0948

You can also find a list of printable resources on the home page under the support section.