

SLA meeting date: Wednesday 20 June 2018

1 IMPLEMENTATION DATES AND SCHOOLS CONFIRMED

The order in which schools will implement Mana Ake has now been confirmed, using feedback from a survey carried out by the Ministry of Education in May to inform prioritisation.

There will be three more implementation phases –Term 4, October 2018, Term 1, 28 Jan 2019 and Term 2, 29 April 2019.

Term 4, October 2018:

- Ngā Mātāpuna o te Waihora Tipu Māia
- Christchurch City
- Ōtākaro
- Waimairi-iri
- Ngā Peka o Tauwharekākaho
- Te Mana Raupō

Term 1, 28 Jan 2019:

- Opuke
- South West Christchurch
- Chatham Islands
- Pūtaringamotu
- Malvern
- Hakatere
- Puketeraki
- Kahukura

Term 2, 29 April 2019:

- Ngā Mātāpuna o Ngā Pakihi
- Aupaki
- Christchurch Catholic Schools
- Te Kāhui
- North West Christchurch
- Christchurch Christian Schools
- Kaikoura

Mana Ake focuses on early intervention to promote wellbeing and positive mental health. Mana Ake Kaimahi (workers) are employed by NGO providers and allocated to clusters of schools. They can provide information, advice and guidance to parents, whānau and teachers, run information and support groups for parents or groups that promote children’s wellbeing. As well as working with individual children and their whanau they will support whole of school messaging to regarding wellbeing.

There is some preparation that clusters can do to support the implementation of Mana Ake and ensure the resource is targeted where local communities identify it can be most effective.

This includes:

- Having pastoral support/Special Educational Needs Coordinators (SENCOs) from across the cluster meet to identify the resources already available across the community. They will work

together to think about how they might identify both individuals and wider school or cluster trends where early intervention would be beneficial.

- Working with your pastoral support networks, for example, Resource Teachers: Learning and Behaviours (RTLB), Ministry of Education Learning Support, School Based Mental Health Team, Public Health Nurse, Social Workers in Schools (SWiS) etc. to start thinking about how the Mana Ake team might fit into your network and enhance what is already in place.
- Using the *Wellbeing@School* tool to inform a whole of school and cross-school approach to enhancing wellbeing.

There is support available to support the implementation of Mana Ake, including teacher release time and facilitation for SENCO's to come together to look at how you could use the Wellbeing@School Tool at a cluster level.

If you are unsure what cluster your school is in please contact Ministry of Education, Principal Advisor Simon Blatchford at Simon.Blatchford@education.govt.nz.

2 KARAKIA

The SLA was honoured to receive a karakia that has been developed for and gifted to Mana Ake:

E atawhai ana mātou
Te whakatōkia o ngā kakano i ruia mai
E nga māhuri tōtara e tipu ana mō āpōpō.
Nā tātou katoa hei awahi te kaupapa,
Hei mana ake te tū tauira tonu ai.
Haumi ē, Hui ē, Tāiki ē

Translated, this means:

We nurture and protect
the seeds sown near and far,
so that they may grow into mighty totara for a not so distant tomorrow.
We embrace our responsibility
To encourage students on a path of lifelong learning.
Unified! Together! Strong!

3 THE MANA AKE PROVIDER NETWORK

Thirteen NGO's will form the provider network for Mana Ake Kaimahi. They are:

- Barnados NZ
- Family Works
- Family Help Trust
- He Waka Tapu
- Kaikoura Health Care
- Hornby Presbyterian Community Trust
- Christchurch Methodist Central Mission
- Pasifika Futures
- Purapura Whetu Trust
- Stand Children's Services
- St John of God Hauora Trust
- Wellbeing North Canterbury Trust
- Youth Alive Trust