



A Message from Education Manager, Caroline Gyde

Nau mai, haere mai! It is hard to believe that we are already halfway through February!

We have many exciting initiatives to look forward to in the education sector this year.

Mel continues to work in our Early Childhood space, visiting playgroups and organising engaging personal development workshops for our ECE teachers.

Rose, our Parenting Coordinator, along with Natasha from Tararua Community Services, have launched the Incredible Years Parenting Programme in Woodville. Additionally, Rose will be facilitating Picky Eating workshops this term, a highly successful programme that was introduced last year.

Our Strengthening Families Coordinator, Alyshea, is organising a Whānau Day for Saturday 8th of March, featuring stalls, activities for the children and giveaways. If your agency is interested in participating, please give Alyshea a call on 06 374 6565.

We are very excited to be bringing Kathryn Berkett to town in June. Kathryn holds a Masters degree in Educational Psychology and has over fifteen years of national and international experience. Kathryn has delivered training to a diverse range of organisations, including primary and secondary teachers, Police, Oranga Tamariki, kindergartens, parents and more. Stay tuned for more details!

In the ACE, Adult Education area, we have some new workshops planned for 2025. These include 'REAP What You Sew', a beginner's sewing course and 'Women's Personal Safety' which will include self defence techniques.

Our education team likes to be responsive to the needs of schools, early childhood and the community, so please don't hesitate to reach out with any ideas or questions about our initiatives or potential programmes.



Nga Mihi,

Caroline Gyde

Early Childhood Education Support

Our Early Childhood Education (ECE) Coordinator, Mel Oliver, loves going out and visiting all our local Playgroups and ECE Centres. During her time at the Playgroups this term, the theme is New Zealand's native birds.

The children will have fun reading stories, doing puzzles, and making bird feeders with Mel.



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Tararua REAP Community Meeting Rooms For Hire

Tararua REAP has five meeting rooms for hire. These rooms vary in size, accommodating up to 45 people in larger spaces, as well as smaller, more intimate meeting areas.

All our rooms have easy access to Kitchen and Bathroom facilities, high-speed Wi-Fi & heating and air conditioning. Catering can be arranged and organised to fit within your budget.



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Visit www.tararuareap.co.nz/meeting-room-hire
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Upcoming Courses

Picky Eating Workshop

Eating can be more challenging for some children than we realise. How food looks, smells and feels, both on the plate and in their mouths, can all impact a child's experience with food. Sensory processing, genetics and neurodiversity can also play a part.

Join other parents in a non-judgmental space to learn about the spectrum of picky eating.

When: Thursday 13, 20 and 27 March

Where: Tararua REAP, 15 Gordon Street

Time: 9.30 am – 12.00 pm

Cost: Donation appreciated

Register with Tararua REAP



Defensive Driving

Gain vital knowledge on safe and responsible driving.

Course criteria:

- Open to all licence holders
- All four sessions must be attended
- 50 hours of driving practice is recommended
- 1:1 practical driving session after the course
- Homework to be completed before each session

When: 7, 9, 14 and 16 April

Where: Tararua REAP, 15 Gordon Street

Cost: \$190 (subsidised)

Register with Tararua REAP



Oamaru Stone Carving

With Heather Newland

The many benefits of learning stone carving include improving your mental health, relieving stress, meeting new people and pursuing new career opportunities.

When: Saturday 12 April

Where: Fruit & Produce Hall, A&P Showgrounds

Time: 10.00 am – 4.00 pm

Cost: \$50

Register with Tararua REAP



First Aid Courses

With NZ Red Cross. Comprehensive First Aid, Essential First Aid and First Aid Revalidation.

When: March 10 & 11, April 10 & 11 or May 12 & 13

For more information and to register:

Visit www.redcross.org.nz or phone 0800 733 2767



One-on-One Support Services

- Digital Devices
- Whānau Support
- Financial Mentoring

For more information, please contact us on:

06 374 6565, PM us on social media or email office@tararuareap.co.nz





WHĀNAU DAY OUT

Celebrating Te rā o ngā Tamariki - Children's Day

Fun, free, interactive whānau day connecting communities with Service Providers in Tararua

SPOT PRIZES

SATURDAY
8 MARCH, 2025

10.00AM TO 2.00PM

DANNEVIRKE A&P SHOWGROUNDS INDUSTRIES HALL

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Strengthening Families

Te Huarahi ki te Whakapiripiri i Ngā Whānau

Strengthening Families works with and for whānau

The Strengthening Families process connects whānau requiring support from more than one agency or community service.

We bring everyone together, with the family, around one table so everyone is clear about what support the whānau needs to thrive.

“Everyone went over and above for our family. I didn't expect the support we got”

- Voluntary for families/whānau
- Family friendly
- Respectful of Tikanga Māori and cultural diversity
- Good at helping families connect with their community.
- Collaborative approach