

STRATEGIC PLAN
2023

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OUR VISION Te Pae Tiwhiti		Empowering active learners			
OUR VALUES Ngā Uaratanga		espect Responsibility Resilier akohanga Kia Manawaroa Kia Ngan			
OUR ACTIVE LEARNER TRAITS	Connecting Me Thinking N Herenga Whakaaro	/Ie Managing Me Collaborati Motuhaketanga Mahi Tah			
OUR STRATEGIC GOALS	WELLBEING / HAUORA Strengthen our learning culture and environment to ensure wellbeing is at the heart of our kura	LEARNING / AKORANGA Create a culturally inclusive, localised curriculum that empowers and excites our students to be successful	TEACHING / WHAKAAKO Empower staff to provide optimum learning outcomes for our students by growing their professional practice		
OUR SUCCESS	Our students, staff and whānau are happy and successful at school and well supported to manage their own wellbeing.	Our students are actively engaged in relevant, authentic and inquiry learning and feel confident, valued and successful at school.	Our staff accelerate the achievement levels of our students by implementing evidence based practice and interventions.		
OUR STRATEGIC INITIATIVES	1a Refresh and embed student wellbeing programmes to ensure clarity and consistency across our kura	2a Review and further develop a place-based and place responsive Waterloo curriculum to ensure reflection of Te Tiriti Ō Waitangi	3a Grow staff capabilities to implement evidence-based practice to improve student literacy achievement data		
	 1b Enhance physical learning spaces both inside and out to maximise learning opportunities for students 1c Nurture and foster staff wellbeing and review workload expectations to enable staff to do less, better 	 2b Embed the Active Learner Traits (ALT) within teaching and learning programmes 2c Strengthen our cultural capabilities and practices across the school and community 	 3b Develop educational leadership capabilities across the staff and students 3c Consolidate teaching and learning practices to develop assessment capable teachers who know their students 		
OUR WHY?	The health and wellbeing of our students, their whānau and our staff are paramount. We learn best when we are fit, well and happy. The responsibility of this lies with us collectively so we can then look after ourselves and each other.	Our students need to be energised and engaged in a curriculum that is responsive, enhances learner progress, embraces Te Tiriti o Waitangi and personalised learning, and supports students to engage with the knowledge, values and key competencies they need to be successful in a rapidly changing world.	Quality teaching and leadership is essential to make a progressive difference for students and their whānau. Our work needs to focus on designing and leading a school wide approach to literacy and assessment to equip all students with sound foundational skills.		
NELP alignment	Priorities 1, 2, 3	Priorities 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7	2, 3, 4, 6, 7		

STRATEGIC ROAD MAPPING

Strat	tegic		20)23			20	24			202	25	
Initia	tives	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
SING	S.1a	Schoolwide		egies revisited a rooms	nd evident in	Review PB4L							
WELLBEING	S.1b			Work through a	ctions for devel	oping outdoor	learning spaces			Review outdoor learning spaces			
8	S.1c		Workload action	on plan enacted		Review sta	ff wellbeing						
		Waterloo School local curriculum documented				curriculum th wh ā nau							
	S.2a		udent inquiry eviewed	Student ind tria	quiry model lled	Profession	onal learning on	Collaboration	& Agency	Review	Collaboration &	& Agency at Wa	terloo
N		Māori Histories professional learning		ning									
LEARNING	S.2b	Trial ALT progressions & collect data				Review ALT progressions, reporting to parents							
		Embed cultural practices in learning and school practices											
	S.2c	D	evelop connect	ions with wh ā n	au	Develop connections with local iwi			Continue to strengthen connections with local iwi				
		lr	nvolvement in Y	ear 2 Kura Ahur	ea	Involvement in Year 3 Kura Ahurea			Water	loo Te Reo curri	iculum docume	nted	
	S.3a	Continue Str	uctured Literac	y PLD & embed	new learning	Embed a	and sustain Stru approach acr	ctured Literacy oss the school	teaching				
S	S.3b	Coaching an	d learning walk	s implemented	by leadership	Coaching and learning wa		ng walks embe	edded				
TEACHING	3.30			Continue to	develop studen	t leadership op	t leadership opportunities						
Ī	S.3c		ssessment igated				Assessment Framework trailed						
		Investiga	te Curriculum R	efresh recomm	endations	Curric	Curriculum Refresh expectations developed						

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Strategic Goal:	3 year su	uccess measures:
WELLBEING / HAUORA Strengthen our learning culture and environment to ensure wellbeing is at the heart of our kura	1a 1b 1c	95% of students report feeling safe at school always or most of the time. Reduction in the number of behaviour incidents during class time and breaks. Positive feedback through student and whānau surveys regarding the school's physical learning spaces. Increase in the number of staff reporting positive wellbeing at work through the Staff Climate Check.

Strategic		2023			2024			2025					
Initiatives		Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	Term 1	Term 1 Term 2 Term 3 Term 4		Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	
BEING	S.1a Schoolwide tools and strategies revisited and evident in classrooms			Revie	w PB4L					_			
ELLBI	S.1b			Work through a	ctions for develo	oping outdoor	learning spaces			R	eview outdoor	learning spaces	
×	S.1c		Workload action	on plan enacted		Review sta	ff wellbeing						

Init	iative	Key actions	Who	Timeframe	12 month milestone
1a	Refresh and embed student wellbeing programmes to ensure	 Review schoolwide guidelines/processes for managing classroom behaviour to ensure consistency across the classes and syndicates. 	Sam	Term 1	Norms and practices for behaviour, communication and interaction are consistent across
	clarity and consistency across our kura	 Support teachers to use a Restorative Practices approach - tools and techniques to maintain and 	Sam	Term 1	the school.
		restore relationships.Finalise Ruru and Values based teaching points/lesson plans.	Sam	Term 2	Students, whānau, staff, including Māori and Pasifika communities, feel connected to the school
		 Visual of values shared with staff and whānau. 	Sam	TOD 27 Jan	behaviour/wellbeing plan.
		 Value of the Term certificates created and 	Suzanne	Term 1	
		celebrated at assemblies.			Students experiencing difficulty
		 Ruru choices wheel developed and a visual created for the school. 	Sam & Suzanne	Term 3	are supported through a collaborative team
		 Zones of Regulation framework to be evident in all classrooms to support students to self regulate. 	Sam	Ongoing	problem-solving approach.
		Investigate aligning Atua to the zones.			Quality Mindfulness practices are
		Revitalise the school House system to generate	PB4L Team	Term 1-2	part of the daily class

		 healthy competition and fun. Utilise the MoE PB4L workshops. Regular communication regarding PB4L in school newsletters. 	Sam Sam	Ongoing Fortnightly	programmes.
1b	Enhance physical learning spaces both inside and out to maximise learning opportunities for students	 Beautify current spaces to ensure they are attractive, welcoming and comfortable for students, whānau and staff. Work through the actions in our development plan for outdoor learning spaces. Teachers continue to declutter learning spaces of excess furniture and underutilised resources. Continue to cull and reorganise resource rooms so space in the school is better utilised. Investigate bilingual signage costs, including new logo signage. Audit of current furniture within the school, and modern learning furniture purchase plan developed. Playground markings revitalised. Kereru Room refurbished using WETAP funding. 	SLT SLT Teachers SLT & staff Suzanne Suzanne SLT SLT SLT	Ongoing Terms 1-4 Term 1 & 4 Ongoing Term 3 Term 3 Term 1 Term 1-2	Waterloo School is a welcoming learning environment with effective space for students to choose to work independently or collaboratively. Classrooms provide a warm and inviting space for students which they can be proud of and learn within. Positive feedback from students and whānau on our learning environment.
1c	Nurture and foster staff wellbeing and review workload expectations to enable staff to do less, better	 Work through the planned actions identified to address workload issues, e.g. Syndicate meetings Learning conversations Report writing PB4L Attendance monitoring Assemblies Managing conversations Staff continue to be reminded of wellbeing strategies, techniques. Staff Wellbeing Team plan activities for staff to have fun together again, post COVID. Staff Wellbeing Survey repeated to measure progress. 	Carolyn & Suzanne Carolyn Wellbeing Team Carolyn	Terms 1-4 Fortnightly Term 1-4 Term 3	Shared understanding of expected workload. Agreed ways of working more efficiently. Staff are resilient and better able to look after their own wellbeing.

Strategic Goal:	3 year su	3 year success measures:				
LEARNING / AKORANGA Create a culturally inclusive, localised curriculum that empowers and excites our students to be successful	2a 2b 2c	Students are more able to talk about their learning at Student Led Learning Conversations. Students are involved in authentic, relevant and purposeful learning. Increase in Active Learner Traits dispositional data across the school. Increase in the number of students and parents reporting strong cultural competency within the school.				

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	S.2a	Waterloo School local curriculum documented				curriculum th whānau							
		Waterloo student inquiry Student inquiry model trialled		Professional learning on Collaboration & Agency			Review Collaboration & Agency at Waterloo						
RNING		Māori Histories professional learning											
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LEA	S.2b	Tri	al ALT progressi	ions & collect d	ata	Review	ALT progressio	ns, reporting to	parents				
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		Embed cultural practices in learning and school practices											
	S.2c	Develop connections with whānau		Develop connections with local iwi			Continue to strengthen connections with local iwi						
		In	volvement in Ye	ear 2 Kura Ahur	ea	lr	nvolvement in Y	ear 3 Kura Ahui	ea	Waterloo Te Reo curriculum documented			

Į.	nitiative	Key actions	Who	Timeframe	12 month milestone
2	a Review and further develop a place-based and place responsive Waterloo curriculum to ensure reflection of Te Tiriti Ō Waitangi (Karen)	 Investigate the Aotearoa New Zealand Histories curriculum through schoolwide inquiry learning. Strengthen Māori history knowledge and understanding for students and teachers. Continue to develop Local Curriculum documentation outlining key approaches - inquiry learning, collaboration, agency, digital 	Karen Karen, Paul, Glynnis Karen	Term 1-4 Term 1-4 Term 1-4	Local curriculum clearly documented for all to understand
		 technologies. Develop a Google Site to store local curriculum documentation. Implement the shared Learning Through Play 	Karen, Suzanne Karen, Junior	Term 3-4 Term 1-4	A deep, wide local curriculum with rich learning opportunities to engage all students.

		 philosophy and practices. Review the Waterloo School Inquiry model to ensure effectiveness for students. Continue to gain understanding of local stories/mana whenua and their place in our local curriculum. Enviroschools team to link specific teaching (ALT, curriculum, socialisation) to the Peace of Wildness space. Implementation of activities across The New Zealand Curriculum refresh. 	teachers Karen Karen Karen, Enviro Lead Karen	Term 1-2 Ongoing Term 1-4 Term 2 & TBC	The local community and environs are an integrated part of the learning programmes. Relevant student inquiry model aligned with the Active Learner Traits (ALTs).
2b	Embed the Active Learner Traits (ALT) within teaching and learning programmes	 Teachers supported to integrate ALT in termly planning. Deliberate teaching of the ALT. Progressions utilised by students and teachers. Unpack further what that looks like at each stage. Students regularly share their reflections on the ALT with whānau. Students to self-assess against the ALT. Data gathered against progressions to monitor student progress, focusing on Managing Me (Making Choices) and Collaborating Me (Team Work). Active learner traits observed through the Learning Walk framework. 	Emma Teachers Teachers Teachers Emma Teachers Leadership Team	Termly Ongoing Ongoing Ongoing Term 1 & 3 Ongoing Termly	ALT evident in teacher planning across learning areas. The language of ALTs used by students and staff. Increased student awareness of ALTs through Learning Maps. ALT progressions used in student reflections and to identify next steps.
2c	Strengthen our cultural capabilities and practices across the school and community	 Establish a plan for whānau engagement. Whānau Hui planned for two times in the year. Identify times for students to regularly share their pepeha - class or syndicate hui, assembly, etc. Professional learning for staff on Māori histories. Continue to practise and strengthen pepeha. Visual pepeha developed to introduce our staff. Collect Māori student voice on school and their aspirations for the future. Acknowledge and celebrate the different cultures 	Paul & Te Ao Māori Lead Teachers Paul & Karen Paul Glynnis	Term 1 Terms 2 & 3 Ongoing Term 1-4 Ongoing Term 2 Ongoing	Ownership of Tikanga across the school and community. Increased use of Te Reo across the school by staff and students. Increased confidence and ability to consider a Māori perspective in teaching and learning programmes and school life.

within our school, e.g. language week, Diwali. Detailed analysis of Māori student achievement data - What do we do for the kids that aren't achieving? Why are they not achieving, where to next?	Māori Lead Glynnis	Term 2 & 4	Shared knowledge and understanding of Te Tiriti o Waitangi and Māori histories.
 Involvement in second year of Kura Ahurea programme. 	Paul & Te Ao Māori Lead	Term 1-4	Māori students will feel valued and will make suitable progress
 Develop a plan for iwi engagement, where possible with the Lower Hutt cluster. 	Paul & Suzanne	Term 2-3	with learning outcomes.
 Involvement in MAC (Māori Achievement Collaborative) 	Suzanne	Terms 1-4	

Strategic Goal:	3 year su	3 year success measures:			
TEACHING / WHAKAAKO Empower staff to provide optimum learning outcomes for our students by growing their professional practice	3a 3b 3c	Increase in student literacy achievement data across the school. The gap for all priority learners is reduced. Effective leadership evident through 360 feedback process. A school wide approach to assessment for learning is utilised within the school. Increased trust in data sharing across all teachers.			

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CHING	S.3b	Coaching and learning walks implemented by leadership Continue to develop studer			Coaching and learning walks embedded								
TEA													
	S.3c	•	ssessment igated		ssessment & developed	Assessment Framework trailed							
		Investigate Curriculum Refresh recommendations				Curriculum Refresh expectations developed							

Initiative	Key actions	Who	Timeframe	12 month milestone
3a Grow staff capabilities to implement evidence-based practice	 Engagement with Learning Matters consultancy. Involvement in PLD through iDeal with a focus on 	Chris Staff	Term 1-4 Term 1-4	Increased teacher confidence and capability in teaching the

to improve student	teaching reading - staff meetings, modelling,			structured literacy approach.
literacy achievement	observations and feedback, coaching.			
data	 Parent education session on structured literacy. 	Chris	Term 2	Increase in students' reading
	Staff to visit other schools using the iDeal	Staff	Term 1	achievement levels and
	structured literacy approach.			confidence.
	Opportunities for staff to observe each other	Chris	Ongoing	
	across the school.			Evidence of effective literacy
	SL Leaders to conduct observations and practice	SL Leads	Term 3	practice across the school.
	analysis conversations.			
	Teachers supported with the implementation of	SL Leads	Ongoing	
	structured literacy within classes and syndicates.		0.1801118	
	Continue purchasing resources with a focus on	Chris	Term 2-3	
	Year 5/6.	Cilis	101111 2 3	
	Confirm assessment, data report and student	Chris & SL Leads	Term 3-4	
	reporting requirements for structured literacy.	Cilis & 3L Leaus	161111 3-4	
	, - ,	Karen/Chris &	Torm 1 /	
	Intervention programmes to target priority	I -	Term 1-4	
	learners.	T/As	T 1 2	
	Investigate Helen Walls writing PD to review	Chris & SL Leads	Term 1-2	
	suitability.	l.,		
	Begin a whānau reading program within school	Julie-Anne, Anna	Term 1-2	
	time	B, Liz B		
3b Develop educational	Leadership Team continues to lead strategic	Suzanne	Term 1-4	Effective leadership support for
leadership capabilities	initiatives and meet termly with the principal.			teachers, focussed on improving
across the staff and	Leadership team to attend the WRPPA	Leadership	Term 1	outcomes for students.
students	conference.	Leadership		outcomes for students.
	Team Leaders to carry out teacher observations	Leadership	Term 2	Coaching model established
	and practice analysis conversations.	Leadership	l icini z	within the school.
	Framework trialled for Learning Walks.	Leadership	Term 1-4	within the school.
	Leadership Team continues professional learning	Suzanne		Leaders are able to talk about the
	, ,	Juzanne	Ongoing	
	on leadership - internal and with Mark Sweeney.		T 4 2	performance of their people.
	Use the Educational Leadership Capability	Suzanne	Term 1-2	Chand alone 1
	Framework to build shared understandings of			Shared understanding of
	what leadership looks like in practice.			leadership vs management.
	Investigate Tū Rangatira, the model of leadership	Suzanne	Term 3-4	
	that reflects some of the key leadership roles and			Learning Walk framework
i	practices that contribute to high-quality	1	ĺ	drafted.

	 educational outcomes of Māori learners. Continue to grow student leadership opportunities, i.e. House Leaders. Student leaders to attend the Grip Leadership conference 	Chris & Suzanne Chris & Suzanne	Term 1-4 Term 1	Student leaders recognised and valued within the school.
3c Consolidate teaching and learning practices to develop assessment capable teachers who know their students	 Trial the assessment framework for 2023. Decide on assessment tools to use across the school, particularly for reading. Moderation of OTJs to continue within and across syndicates. Continue to utilise the Mathematics Learning Progressions Framework in planning and assessment practices. Data collected for Active Learner Traits. Team Leaders complete data reports with analysis in Terms 2 & 4. Implement regular moderation practices across the school. Leadership team regularly discuss data to track progress towards annual targets. Investigate assessment for reading - What is the best way for us to assess reading alongside structured literacy? Keep informed on recommendations for assessment through the Curriculum Refresh. 	Teachers Leadership Team Janice Teachers Emma Team Leaders Janice Leadership Janice Janice	Term 1-4 Term 4 Term 2-4 Term 1-4 Term 2 & 4 Term 2 & 4 Term 2-4 Ongoing Term 1-3 Term 1-4	Assessment capable leaders and teachers. Data literate leaders and teachers who know their learners. Consistent assessment and moderation practices informing explicit teaching and trust in OTJs. Greater consistency of teacher understanding of achievement levels.

2023 ANNUAL TARGETS

Strategic Goal LEARNING / AKORANGA Create a culturally inclusive, localised curriculum that empowers and excites our students to be successful.

Reading Annual Targets	 To accelerate the reading progress of Year 2 students who are achieving below the expected level in reading, to achieve at Curriculum Level 1 by the end of Year 2 (44 students). To accelerate the reading progress of Year 3 students who are achieving below the expected level in reading, to achieve at Early Curriculum Level 2 by the end of Year 3 (61 students).
Background	 61% of Year 2 students (2022 Year 1) are achieving below the expected level for reading. This is a group of 44/72 students who have been working on the structured literacy approach. This includes 7/15 Māori students. 36% of Year 2 students are reading at the expected level and 3% (2 students) are reading above. 73% of Year 3 students (2022 Year 2) are working below the expected level for reading. Of these 61 students there are 21 students (25%) who are reading confidently and are well on track. 27% of Year 3 students are reading at the expected level.

Planned Actions to Achieve Reading Targets

- 1. Target students identified for reading in each class, progress tracked and monitored throughout the year. Syndicates discuss reading target students termly to monitor progress.
- 2. Regular reflection to determine the impact of current teaching practices on student outcomes.
- 3. Regular discussion of progress and achievement of target students at syndicate and leadership level.
- 4. All teachers involved in Structured Literacy professional learning. Learning Matters external facilitator working with the school.
- 5. Learning needs of students and teachers identified. Support put in place where needed.
- 6. Syndicate Structured Literacy leaders coached to support their teams with implementing professional learning.
- 7. Visits to other schools to see Structured Literacy in action.
- 8. Collaborative planning within team/syndicates.
- 9. Structured Literacy assessment tools to be implemented; iDeal Reading Skills Test, Phonics Book Assessments, and the Non word assessments
- 10. Focus on culturally responsive text. More engaging decodable texts for boys and Māori.
- 11. Teacher Professional Reflections focussed on reading Structured Literacy teaching and learning. Observations and practice analysis conversations aligned.
- 12. Teacher aides to work with targeted students using a Structured Literacy approach. Tracking and monitoring of progress.
- 13. Align PA funding with Structured Literacy resourcing to support implementation and continue to purchase Structured Literacy resources for use across the school, particularly for Years 3-6.
- 14. Provide parent information session on Structured Literacy and regular messaging through our school newsletter.

Writing Annual Targets	3. To accelerate the writing progress of NZ Māori students who are achieving below the expected level in reading, to achieve at their expected level by the end of the year (33 students).
Background	• 58% of NZ Māori (2022) are achieving below the expected level for writing. This is a group of 41 students - 8 students in Year 1, 11 students in Year 2, 4 students in Year 3, 5 students in Year 4, 5 students in Year 5, and 8 students in Year 6 (who have now left Waterloo School). 40% of Māori are achieving at the expected level and 3% are achieving above.

Planned Actions to Achieve Writing Targets

- 1. Target students identified for writing in each class, progress tracked and monitored throughout the year.
- 2. Syndicates discuss writing target students termly to monitor progress.
- 3. Regular reflection to determine the impact of current teaching practices on student outcomes.
- 4. Regular discussion of progress and achievement of target students at syndicate and leadership level.
- 5. All teachers to implement professional learning from 2022 spelling Structured Literacy and Helen approach/strategies.
- 6. Explicit teaching of handwriting across the school.
- 7. Induction of new teachers undertaken to bring them up to speed.
- 8. Class writing programmes contain launch of task, modelling, sharing, feedback, front loading, small group instruction, and sufficient time for students to write.
- 9. Strengthen links between Inquiry and Writing.
- 10. Engage reluctant writers with a range of different approaches, e.g. Game of Awesome.
- 11. When possible give students an opportunity to choose their topics for learning.
- 12. Moderation of writing tasks and OTJs across the school.
- 13. Engage with whānau of writing target students to discuss how they can support at home.
- 14. Focus on our Active Learner Traits to support students to know and develop their own capabilities during writing focus on perseverance, collaboration, reflection and creativity to increase student agency and ownership.
- 15. Use of Seesaw to support students to reflect on their learning and share their writing with whānau to comment on.