

 **Nau mai haere mai**

A great big *Kia Ora Koutou* and especially to those who have joined Ngā Manu Āwhina Cluster 8 this term.  We also send our kindest regards to all those who have been impacted by the weather events earlier this year. This newsletter is just a brief reminder and update re our service, upcoming events, important dates and initiatives.

**Upcoming Events**

 **Cluster 8 Learning and Networking Events and Workshops**

All in our Cluster 8 school community are welcome to attend our workshops and events: - Principals, DPs/APs, SENCo, LSC colleagues, Kāhui Ako across and in-school teachers, other specialist and school staff and RTLBs. Dates are below with more information available on the website.

In term 2 on **June 20**, we continue our journey in **Strengthening the Learning Support Community** with a half-day workshop with our Cluster 8 learning support community including SENCos, LSCs, RTLB and MoE Learning Support. This is your opportunity to continue to add your voice to the kōrero about how we work together to meet the needs of our learners and to share best practice. More information on the venue shortly.

A big heads up about the Cluster 8 **Wellbeing Event** that we are planning for Term 3 on **9 and 10 August** at the Ellerslie Events Centre. For those of you who have attended a Cluster 8 wellbeing event previously you know that this will be a fabulous event with highly acclaimed New Zealand and International speakers with workshops and presentations to support our individual, students’ and schools’ wellbeing. We will be offering each Cluster 8 school 2 free tickets, one for a school appointed wellbeing champion and one for leadership/SENCos, with tickets also available for board/parent representatives. These free tickets will only be available for the schools in the Cluster 8 area, outside of this area tickets for the event will be at the cost of $625.  We already have some exciting speakers, so please keep an eye out for event news and registration next term. You may already have wellbeing champions in your school who would like to come along! Please save these dates:  **9 and 10 August** and watch this space…….

**Collaboration and Support Hub Drop In**

A reminder that our 3 RTLB hubs: Royal Oak Primary, Tāmaki College and Ōrākei School have termly *Collaboration and Support Drop In*mornings so that RTLB, DPs, SENCos, MoE LS, teachers and LSCs are able to kōrero, inquire, collaborate, provide support and guidance, access and share expertise and tiered project work. The term 1 hub drop ins were well and keenly attended. This is a great opportunity to network, so even if you can just pop in for 10 minutes we would love to see you.

* Term 2:  May 30th Ōrākei. May 31st Royal Oak. June 1st Tāmaki.
* Term 3:  September 12th Ōrākei. September 13th  Royal Oak. September 14th  Tāmaki.
* Term 4: End of year thank you morning tea: - November 28th Ōrākei. November 29th  Royal Oak. November 30th Tāmaki.

**Other Training and Workshops**

* **Face-to-Face and E- Workshops** are added to the [**website**](https://www.rtlbcluster8.ac.nz/pop-up-workshops) as they are confirmed. Don't forget to get in early and **register with the presenter** for the workshops you or your staff would like to attend.
	+ 3 May 9.30am-12. **Reframing and Responding to Behaviour.** Register with Jo Turner jot@rtlbcluster8.ac.nz
	+ 17 May 11am-12.30pm. **Zones of Regulation.** Register with Michele Hucker micheleh@rtlbcluster8.ac.nz
	+ 24 May 9.30am-2.30pm. **Teaching Emotional Regulation.** Register with Jo Turner and Barbara Hannant barbarah@rtlbcluster8.ac.nz
	+ 24 May 3.30 - 4.30pm. **Mental Health Education and Wellbeing**. Register with Tracey Richardson traceyr@rtlbcluster8.ac.nz
	+ 29 May 2-4pm. **Bounceback.** Register with Michelle Grey-Lamont michellegl@rtlbcluster8.ac.nz
	+ 7 June 3:30-5:00pm. **Teacher Wellbeing**. Register with Maryanne Manuyag maryannem@rtlbcluster8.ac.nz
	+ 12 June 3.30-5.30pm and 26 June 3.30-5pm (attendance at both sessions required). **Autistic Learners Participating and Contributing in the Learning Community**. Register with Titania McKenzie. titaniam@rtlbcluster8.ac.nz
* You can register for **IYT Incredible Years Teacher and** **Incredible Years Autism** by contacting Wendy wendy@rtlbcluster8.ac.nz.

**Some Cluster 8 Initiatives**

There are a number of RTLB initiatives running across the cluster including (but not limited to):

* Kāhui AkoSupport, MoE LS and LSC Collaboration in conjunction with support from our RTLB Practice/Partnership Leaders
* Social Emotional Learning (SEL) Support, Wellbeing and Resilience Programmes
* Mentoring and Coaching Support
* ASD Support
* Play Based Learning Group
* Foundation Skills for Learning
* Mathematics Community of Practice Workshops
* Behaviour Initiatives including Escalation Profiles
* Secondary Community of Practice
* Gateway and Vulnerable Children Support
* Bilingual Assessment (BAS)

Please talk with your liaison RTLB or click on the [‘connect’](https://www.rtlbcluster8.ac.nz/resources) link on the website if you wish to know more about or to link into any of the above initiatives.

**The RTLB Team**

This term we are fortunate to have welcomed Maryanne Manuyag, Cecilia Tian and Jennie Burt to the RTLB team. At the start of term 2, we welcome Sarah Mariu to the team. Vaughan Spurdle is leaving the RTLB service at the end of this term and we wish him well in his future endeavours. Team contact details are available [here](https://www.rtlbcluster8.ac.nz/staff-bios) with ‘[about us’](https://www.rtlbcluster8.ac.nz/copy-of-staff-contact) here.

**Check Out the Website and Thank You**

The [Cluster 8 website](https://www.rtlbcluster8.ac.nz/) provides information and showcases what the cluster and RTLB can offer in individual and systemic support, and professional development to our cluster also providing access to a range of  [resources](https://www.rtlbcluster8.ac.nz/resources). Key contact RTLB are listed for specific support (for e.g., Autism etc) and there is the opportunity for MoE, RTLB and our cluster’s teachers to engage in a community of practice in areas of expertise and interest. Project leads and ‘Connect’ people can be located and are accessible for additional support on the [connect tab.](https://www.rtlbcluster8.ac.nz/resources)

We are grateful for the opportunity to work alongside you to meet the needs of our students, teachers, schools and cluster community. This email is just a brief update, the full termly Manager’s reports are available [here](https://www.rtlbcluster8.ac.nz/manager-s-reports). As always, it continues to be a pleasure to work with so many dedicated, innovative and responsive professionals and whānau. We hope you enjoy a very well-deserved school break.

Ngā mihi nui

Roseanne and Cluster 8:  Ngā Manu Āwhina RTLB

      

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