

Kia ora,

Term 3 has started off as busy as we expected. I had the pleasure of hosting the Minister of Education who attended the Canterbury West Coast Secondary Schools Principals' Association meeting. The Minister also visited the new Aranui Community School and planted a manuka tree to celebrate the occasion. Ministry staff attended the powhiri for new Rowley Ave School Principal Niulesa Anthony Faitaua; it was a wonderful occasion enjoyed by all who attended.

You will know Special Education continues to be a major priority for us. Our current Special Education Update is looking at the whole education system including the Ministry's responsibilities - from early childhood, through to primary, secondary and tertiary education. We want a range of views to inform decisions about improvements. If you have already contributed your views – thank you.

You will also be aware that so far we've worked with representative groups, professionals and some individuals (including parents) in forums to discuss priority improvements. We understand more people want to contribute so we've decided to hold extra forums – mainly for parents but others are also welcome.

Please help us by forwarding the attached [invitation](#) and [pre-reading](#) to your parents.

Thank you for your support.

Mā te wā,

Coralanne Child

Director of Education for Canterbury



Creating an education network that inspires children to reach their full potential.

Overall Teacher Judgement Workshops

OVERALL TEACHER JUDGEMENT WORKSHOPS - English medium

These full day workshops will support teachers using National Standards to use quality moderation practices and make valid and reliable OTJs of student progress and achievement. Comprehensive online support will be available on the [CPL website](#)

To ensure this support is available to as many schools as possible, **registrations will be limited to two participants per school.**

[Registrations here](#)

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| Thursday, 20 August | Rangiora |
| Tuesday, 1 September | Christchurch |
| Wednesday, 16 September | Timaru |
| Thursday, 17 September | Ashburton |

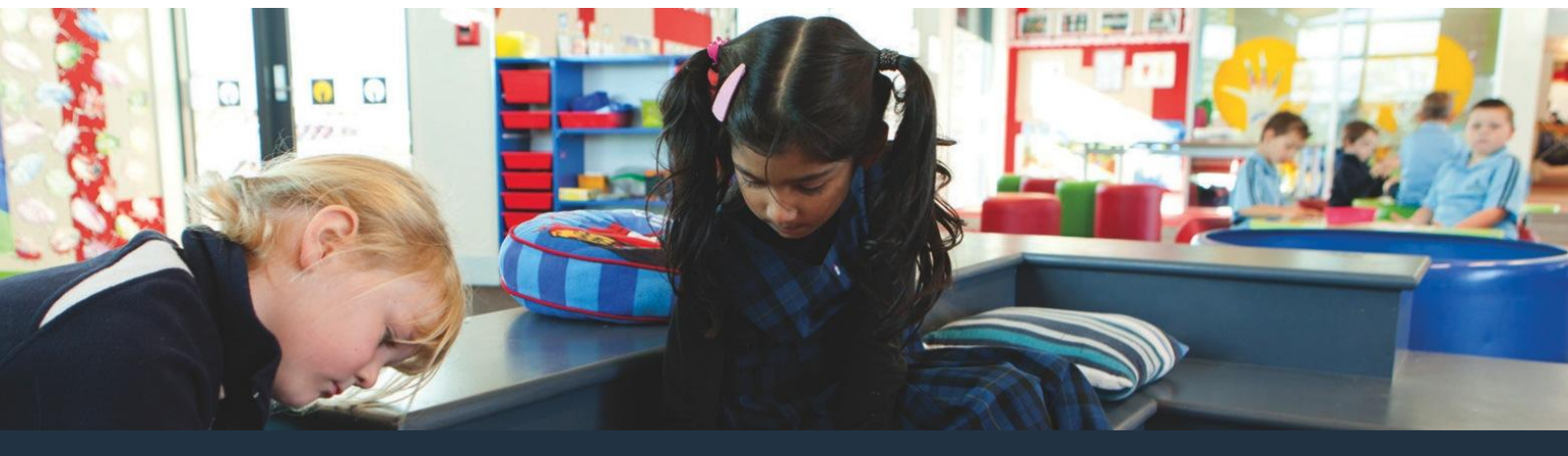
VULNERABLE CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S WELLBEING WORKSHOP

Date: 1 September 2015, Time: 4:00pm – 6:00pm

The Child and Youth Work Stream is coordinating a workshop with a focus on Vulnerable Children, Young People and Mental Health for the Education and Health Sectors.



The event is being held at the St Albans Baptist Church,
64 McFaddens Road, St Albans, Christchurch



Building a new and better future for education and for the community.

Year 7 and 8 Technology Provision

We have been attending meetings over the past three weeks to update stakeholders on Year 7 and 8 Technology provision. This has been an opportunity for us to share a summary of the feedback received at the end of the last phase of the consultation and to discuss the next steps.

A technology working group has been formed to take into account the suggested ideas submitted from the initial consultation, to provide more detail around what has been proposed and explore the implications the different options will have on future technology delivery across greater Christchurch.

The working group is made up of a range of representatives from across the education sector. Not in scope for the working group: Identifying/recommending new locations for technology provision, staffing provision, reducing the number of technology centres or reducing the availability of provision through other methods or processes

If you have any queries please contact [Tim Maxwell](#), Project Lead

Teaching Resource - Hi-Viz Video Series

We are going to be sending out a Hi-Viz video series within the next month. The DVD series gives you the low-down on the Christchurch rebuild and is for all teachers in Canterbury schools to use as a resource in the classroom.

This series was great fun for the children involved. If you have any questions or comments please email info@cera.govt.nz and put Hi-Viz in the subject line.