

Alfriston School Strategic Plan 2024 - 2025

VISION: A community of learners supporting each other to ensure everyone reaches their full potential.

SCHOOL CONTEXT: Alfriston School is a semi-rural full Primary school situated on the outskirts of Manurewa. The school caters for learners from Year 0-8, making it a full Primary. Currently, the school has approximately 360 learners. Māori learners make up 9.89% percent of the roll, 13.84% are Pacific Peoples, 17.51% are NZ European and 40.68% are Indian.

COMMUNITY CONSULTATION: Over the past 2 years Alfriston School senior leaders and Board have been committed to proactively and intentionally engaging with our school community to ensure we understand their needs and wants.

How? Below are some of the ways we gathered voice:

Formal and Informal approaches are prioritised equally

- Körero within the school and at the school gate
- Phone calls to whānau (Teacher phone calls to all whānau at the beginning of each year and Senior Leaders phone calls at regular intervals)
- Use of digital interaction (digital surveys, app use and email newsletters)

- Kōrero and pātai at Three Way Conferences
- Engaging at community events (EG: Time to Shine Concert)
- Written material postcard survey
- Staff and community hui

Level of Engagement:

High level of participation in all community consultation. Some examples:

- Attendance level at all 2022 and 2023 Three Way Conferences 95% or above
- 82 whānau responses to our 2023 Strategic Goals postcard survey
- We consistently have a high attendance rate of over 88%
- School events e.g Disco, Time to Shine concert, Powhiri, Whānau Assemblies, F&F events, School Camp, EOTC outings

What we heard:

- 2012 / 2022: Vision and Values Community, Staff and Learner Consultation
 - Akonga and whānau no knowledge of the school's vision
 - -Kaiako very little knowledge of the school's vision
 - Some learners able to talk about the school's 8 values, however unsure what the purpose of the 3 principles is
 - Some staff referring to / prioritising the 3 principles, others the 8 values
 - Community feel more connection to the 3 principles, the additional 8 values can fit under these
- 2023: Strategic Goals Review
 - Community feedback Responses a high level of support for current Strategic Goals. The following ratings of importance (average): Hauora:Well Being 9.8 / 10, Ako:Teaching and Learning 9.7 / 10 and Arotake:Internal Evaluation for Improvement 9.3 / 10
 - Staff response: Strong belief that values are embedded and vision is our guiding statement/way of being
- 2023: Vision and Values Review
 - Some learners know the school vision and its meaning. Beginning of the year focuses on schoolwide.
 - Learners are confident in stating the values, able to talk about what these look like / mean and aware of schoolwide values systems.
 - Staff know the school vision and values and believe the values are embedded. Further work around the vision in 2024.

Giving Effect to te Tiriti o Waitangi

Under the Education and Training Act 2020, a primary objective of the board of Alfriston School is giving effect to te Tiriti o Waitangi. We do this by:

- Working to ensure our plans, policies, and local curriculum reflect local tikanga Māori, mātauranga Māori, and te ao Māori
- Taking all reasonable steps to make instruction available in tikanga Māori and to reo Māori
- Achieving equitable outcomes for Māori students
- Providing opportunities for learners to appreciate the importance of te Tiriti o Waitangi and te reo Māori

Alfriston School works from the principles of partnership, protection, and participation to meet our obligations under te Tiriti o Waitangi. These principles reflect the three articles of te Tiriti.

OBJECTIVE	STRATEGIC GOALS	WHAT DO YOU EXPECT TO SEE	HOW WILL WE ACHIEVE OR MAKE PROGRESS TOWARDS OUR STRATEGIC GOALS	HOW WILL WE MEASURE SUCCESS
HAUORA – WELL-BEING Provide a positive, learning focused culture that is committed to	We will partner with akonga, kaiako, whānau and local iwi to further develop a learning community that reflects our community ensuring our akonga, kaiako and whānau feel a sense of belonging and support.	-Development of a Local Curriculum that reflects the needs and wants of our school community -Development of school environment to ensure it reflects the people within our learning community, as well as reflecting Aotearoa NZ -Awareness of and recognition of Cultural celebrations and language weeks	-Continue to work to develop connections with iwi and Indian community -Principal working with local DP to establish iwi connections -Cultural Connections Unit holder to continue to develop community connections -Develop the school's physical environment -meaningful creations	-Connections with groups has been established -Collaborative focus with cultural groups -Learner voice -Improved school environment
inclusion of all ALIGNMENT TO NELP PRIORITIES Obj 1,2 and 4 PARTNERSHIP PARTICIPATION	Provide opportunities for akonga, kaiako and whānau to be actively involved in school life	-Increased whānau engagement -Increased opportunities for akonga -Learners feeling supported by all -A positive,safe environment for all -Positive school culture maintained -All learners fully involved in all aspects of school life -Support for learners as required	-Review communication methods -Ensure dates are communicated early so that whānau have time to organise attendance -Target community members with expertise/strengths -Have periodic focused group meetings with small groups in the school community	-Survey/feedback results -Feedback/Feedforward from the focus groups has been heard -Attendance rates - at events / conferences has increased

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AKO – TEACHING AND LEARNING Provide high quality teaching and learning programmes that enable every	Alfriston School's P.G.C is relevant and meaningful to our context and is having a positive impact on teaching and learning	-Deliberately planned for - staff meetings -Regular conversations and reflection -Teachers trying new strategies/approaches	their record of P.G.C -Systems in place to record reflections and learning	-Staff will have a record or body of evidence that demonstrates a positive impact on teaching and learning -Staff voice
learner to reach their full potential ALIGNMENT TO NELP PRIORITIES Obj 2,3 and 4 PROTECTION PARTICIPATION	P.L.D. is co-constructed with staff in order to meet the needs of teachers and learners	-Staff positively engaged in PLD -Development / improvement in teacher practice -Growing future leaders -Continued commitment to developing current school leaders	grow leadership in the school -Provide a range of leadership opportunities and support systems to promote leadership success	-Formal collection of staff voice: Engagement level -Termly feedback: Senior leader discussions with staff -Development of staff: leadership progression
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	Akonga, kaiako and	-Termly focus group meetings	-Proactive and intentional in collecting	-Analysis of feedback

voice

-Periodic whānau focused group

meetings with small groups in the school

/feedforward

data/information

-Record of

-Senior leaders phoning whānau to

-Learners feeling confident/safe in

check in, gather voice

whānau will be given

opportunities to

provide regular,

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INTERNAL

EVALUATION FOR IMPROVEMENT Establish a culture of effective, ongoing internal evaluation for improvement	constructive feedback/feedforward	sharing their thoughts, feelings and ideas -Discussions at all levels (Board, staff) to reflect on voice -Changes implemented and monitored for effectiveness -Whānau communication is acknowledged and actioned within a reasonable timeframe	community -Teachers phone every whānau 3 weeks into the year to touch base -Staff voice collected and recorded regularly -Learner voice collected as per 'Learner voice schedule' -Prioritise phone and face to face	collected as well as the actions and monitoring -Parents show a level of confidence and comfort in approaching any staff member about any concern/question or wondering
ALIGNMENT TO NELP PRIORITIES Obj 1,2,3,4 and 5 PARTNERSHIP PROTECTION PARTICIPATION	Systems and Processes are established for Teaching and Learning engagement and achievement (T.L.E.A) .Mtgs	-T.L.E.A. Meeting template and resources created and shared -Modelling of the process by Senior leaders -Twice termly T.L.E.A. Mtgs -Record of T.L.E.A. Mtgs in Shared Google Drive folder -Staff reflecting with colleagues -Staff valuing the ideas/knowledge of their colleagues -Staff feeling safe to try new ideas/approaches -Learners making progress due to improved teacher practice	-Planned time to enable T.L.E.A meetings to take placeCheck in with teachers both collectively and individually -Senior leaders support process initially -Documents are clear and easy to follow	-Evidence of the processes/systems are being implemented -See feedback and feedforward from staff - evaluate and make changes if requiredIncreased Learner Achievement -Teacher voice -Anecdotal notes in google drive

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VERSION: FINAL

kōrero = to talk tikanga Māori = cultural principles mātauranga Māori = cultural practices te ao Māori = Māori language akonga = student / learner kaiako = teacher whānau = family (extended family group)

2024 Targets These targets were decided upon by our staff through data analysis

READING

85% of our Year 5 and 6 learners to be at or above their expected curriculum level

WHY? 19/87 (22%) of our Year 5 and 6 learners are currently not achieving at their expected curriculum level.

	BELOW	AT	ABOVE	NARRATIVE
YEAR 5	19% (8)	58% (25)	23% (10)	35/43 (81%) at or above expected curr level
YEAR 6	25% (11)	48% (21)	27% (12)	33/44 (75%) at or above expected curr level
TOTAL	22% (19)	53% (46)	25% (22)	68/87 (78%) at or above expected curr level

WRITING

At least 84% of our ALL learners to be at or above their expected curriculum level

WHY? 233/303 are currently tracking at or above their expected curriculum level. This is 77% of the learners.

	Below	At	Above	Narrative
Year 2	9% (4)	70% (30)	21% (9)	39/43 (91%) at or above expected curr level
Year 3	8% (3)	72% (28)	21% (8)	36/39 (93%) at or above expected curr level
Year 4	16% (7)	53% (23)	30% (13)	36/43 (83%) at or above expected curr level
Year 5	28% (12)	60% (26)	12% (5)	31/43 (72%) at or above expected curr level
Year 6	36% (16)	62% (28)	2% (1)	29/45 (64%) at or above expected curr level
Year 7	35% (19)	61% (33)	4% (2)	35/54 (65%) at or above expected curr level
Year 8	25% (9)	58% (21)	17% (6)	27/36 (75%) at or above expected curr level

TOTAL 23%	70	3% 70	62% 1	189	15%		233/303 are currently tracking at or above their expected curriculum level. This is 77% of the learners.
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MATHS

83% of our Year 4-6 learners to be at or above their expected curriculum level

WHY? 95/130 (73%) of our Year 4 - 6 learners are currently not achieving at their expected curriculum level.

	Below	At	Above	Narrative
Year 4	26% (11)	51% (22)	23% (10)	32/43 (74%) at or above expected curr level
Year 5	23% (10)	53% (23)	23% (10)	33/43 (76%) at or above expected curr level
Year 6	32% (14)	50% (22)	18% (8)	30/44 (68%) at or above expected curr level
TOTAL	27% (35)	52% (67)	21% (28)	95/130 (73%) at or above expected curr level

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Implementation of the Statement of National Education and Learning Priorities in schools and kura



The Statement of National Education and Learning Priorities (the NELP) is a set of priorities designed to guide those who govern schools and kura (state, state integrated, and private), to focus their day-to-day work on things that will have a significant positive impact for children and young people. The priorities can be used alongside their own local priorities, and in conjunction with delivering a rich local curriculum, to help every learner/akonga to progress and achieve their aspirations.



Boards of schools and kura must have particular regard to the NELP, including when developing or renewing their charters, for example by ensuring their strategic goals align to the NELP priorities.

Managers of private schools must have regard to the NELP in the operation of their school, and ensure that the school's principal and staff have regard to the NELP when developing and delivering the curriculum.

On 1 January 2023 the National Education Goals (NEGs) and National Administration Guidelines (NAGs) will be replaced by a new strategic planning and reporting framework. This framework will have a clear link to the NELP, and governing bodies will have to report on their engagement with the priorities in their strategic plans. More information on this will be provided closer to the time.

CEARNERS AT THE CENTRE Learners with their whānau are at the centre of education		OBJEC	TIVE 2	OBJEC	CTIVE 3	OBJECTIVE 4	OBJECTIVE 5
		FREE A	RIER ACCESS trunities and outcomes for every learner	QUALITY TEACHING AND LEADERSHIP Quality teaching and leadership make the difference for learners and their whānau		FUTURE OF LEARNING AND WORK Learning that is relevant to the lives of New Zealanders today and throughout their lives	WORLD CLASS INCLUSIVE PUBLIC EDUCATION New Zealand education is trusted and sustainable
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Ensure places of learning are safe, inclusive and free from racism, discrimination and bullying	Have high aspirations for every learner/škonga, and support these by partnering with their whänau and communities to design and deliver education that responds to their needs, and sustains their identities, languages and cultures	Reduce barriers to education for all, including for Māori and Pacific learners/ākonga, disabled learners/ākonga and those with learning support needs	Ensure every learner/ákonga gains sound foundation skills, including language, literacy and numeracy	Meaningfulty incorporate te reo Māori and tikanga Māori into the everyday life of the place of learning	Develop staff to strengthen teaching, leadership and learner support capability across the education workforce	Collaborate with industries and employers to ensure learners/äkonga have the skills, knowledge and pathways to succeed in work	Enhance the contribution of research and mätauranga Mäori in addressing local and global challenges (TES ONLY)
Ask learners/ākonga, whānau and staff about their experience of racism, discrimination and bullying, and use that information to reduce these behaviours Have processes in place to promptly address and resolve any complaints or concerns about racism, discrimination and bullying Create a safe and inclusive culture where diversity is valued and all learners/ākonga and staff, including those who identify as LGBTOIA+, are disabled, have learning support needs, are neurodiverse, or from diverse ethnic communities, feel they belong	Partner with family and whänau to equip every learner/äkonga to build and realise their aspirations Help staff to build their awareness of bias and low expectations, and of how these impact learners/äkonga, staff and whänau Identify and respond to learner/äkonga strengths, progress and needs, and learner/äkonga and whänau aspirations Build relationships with Mäori, involve them in decision making, and partner with them to support rangatiratanga, and Mäori educational success as Mäori Collaborate with Mäori communities to invest in, develop and deliver Mäori-medium learning	Work with whānau and Pacific families to identify and understand barriers that may prevent learners/ákonga from accessing, participating or remaining engaged in schooling, and work to address them Ensure disabled learners/ākonga and staff, those with learning support needs, gifted learners/ākonga, and neurodiverse learners/ākonga are safe and included in their school or kura, their needs are supported, and that learning support programmes are robust and effective Where possible, reduce non-fee costs, including costs associated with BYOD' policies, and take advantage of policies to reduce financial dependence on families and whānau	Ensure all learners/åkonga have ongoing opportunities to develop key capabilities, including communication, problem solving, critical thinking and interpersonal skills Identify learners/åkonga who are not making sufficient progress in key foundation skills, and adjust learning opportunities, teaching approaches and supports, including seeking additional support from specialists Value the heritage languages spoken by Pacific learners/ åkonga, and provide opportunities to use and to build on them	Seek advice from Māori on how best to include tikanga Māori in values, practices and organisational culture Use development opportunities for teachers/kaiako and leaders to build their teaching capability, knowledge and skills in te reo Māori and tikanga Māori Taik with learners/ākonga and staff about why correct pronunciation of te reo Māori is important, and provide them with opportunities to learn and practice without judgement	Identify gaps in teaching capability and invest in opportunities for teachers/ kaiako and staff to strengthen teaching, leadership and learning support Develop teacher/kaiako confidence and competence to teach diverse learners/ākonga with varying needs, and to appropriately modify teaching approaches Expect and support teachers/ kaiako to build their understanding of learners/ idengacentests, including languages spoken at home, histories, stories and cultural values, to provide culturally responsive teaching	Support learners/äkonga to see the connection between what they're learning and the world of work Break down ethnic, gender and socioeconomic stereotypes around education and career pathways, including for girls and young women Collaborate with industries, employers and tertiary education providers to plan for successful transitions to enable all learners/åkonga to succeed in education	

Appendix B

7 Content of strategic plans

- (1) A board's strategic plan must include—
 - (a) the board's vision for its school:
 - (b) the board's strategic goals, as developed in consultation with the school community, for meeting the board's primary objectives as set out in section 127 of the Act:
 - (c) information relating to how the board has prioritised its strategic goals:
 - (d) information relating to the link between the board's strategic goals and—
 - (i) the statement of national education and learning priorities issued by the Minister under section 5 of the Act; and
 - (ii) any other relevant national education strategies or plans, including Ka Hikitia, the Action Plan for Pacific Education, and the oranga tamariki action plan; and
 - (iii) the foundation curriculum policy statements and national curriculum statements made under section 90 of the Act:
 - (e) the board's strategies for achieving or making progress towards its strategic goals based on the identities, needs, and aspirations of its school community, including, without limitation, strategies for identifying and catering to students whose needs have not yet been well met:
 - (f) the board's strategies for giving effect to Te Tiriti o Waitangi, including strategies for—
 - (i) working to ensure that its plans, policies, and local curriculum reflect local tikanga Māori, mātauranga Māori, and te ao Māori; and
 - (ii) achieving equitable outcomes for Māori students; and
 - (iii) taking all reasonable steps to make instruction available in tikanga Māori and te reo Māori:
 - (g) information describing the measures, evidence, and processes the board intends to use to evaluate its progress towards achieving the strategic goals.
- (2) In addition, if a board is-
 - (a) the board of a Kura Kaupapa Māori, the board may develop strategic goals that reflect Te Aho Matua and local tikanga:
 - (b) a specified kura board that is not the board of a Kura Kaupapa Māori, the board may develop strategic goals that reflect local tikanga.
- (3) If a board is a specified kura board,—
 - (a) the requirement in subclause (1)(f) does not apply; and
 - (b) the board's strategic plan must instead include a general statement about how the kaupapa of the board's school reflects Te Tiriti o Waitangi.