Ko Taku Reo Strategy Framework

Our vision is...

Educate and Empower Deaf and Hard of Hearing Learners for Success.

We will do this by focusing on...



Languages for learning, communication and connection

To achieve our vision we will...



- 1. Commit to creating a language rich environment that promotes NZSL.
- 2. Emphasise NZSL development for learners and staff.
- 3. Have a strong literacy focus.
- 4. Support learners to develop and sustain age-appropriate language.
- 5. Support language acquisition for Early Years.
- 6. Commit to increasing Te Reo Māori me ōna tikanga authentically.



- 1. Use effective educational learning approaches, high quality and informed teaching practices, catering for individual needs and acceleration of progress.
- 2. Implement an extended curriculum that gives mana to Deaf, Turi Māori and Māori ways of learning.
- 3. Provide high quality professional development for staff.
- 4. Provide support for effective transitions into, between and beyond Ko Taku Reo - Deaf Education New Zealand.
- 5. Embed and use data systems to confidently monitor, plan future teaching and report the development of our learners.

Our values: Belong, Grow, Choose, Excel.

This is enabled through...





Identity and wellbeing

- 1. Ensure Deaf Culture guides what we do.
- 2. Connect Ko Taku Reo Deaf Education New Zealand to the wider Deaf community and build a sense of belonging for learners.
- 3. Support learners and their families in their Deafhood and identity development.
- 4. Ensure we have a physically and emotionally safe place for learners and staff.
- 5. Give effect to Te Tiriti o Waitangi and develop strong Turi Māori connections.

