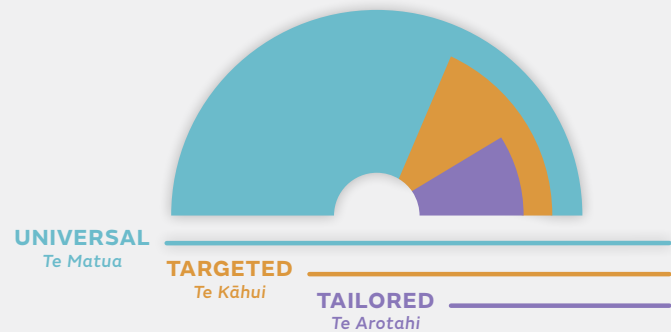




Ko Taku Reo - Deaf Education NZ is a unique school that is funded by the Ministry of Education. Our services are designed to follow the Learning Support Framework set out by the Ministry of Education.

These are split into three sections:



Source: <https://hepikoruia.education.govt.nz/how-we-work/flexible-tailored-model-of-support>



UNIVERSAL

Te Matua

Strengthens inclusive environments, cultures, and practices.

- **Indirect RTD Service**

A collaborative support model where an RTD (Resource Teacher of the Deaf) works with the local school where the student is enrolled, their teachers, and their family to equip them with the resources and strategies needed to support the student. This is a one-off, responsive service. For more information, email outreachschool@kotakureo.school.nz.

- **KIT (Keep in Touch) Days**

Organised by Teachers of the Deaf for students to meet with and interact with other Deaf and hard of hearing students. Contact your RTD to find out details of upcoming KIT Days or email outreachschool@kotakureo.school.nz.



TARGETED

Te Kāhui

Offers focused approaches to enhance participation, learning, and wellbeing.

- **Online Learning Service**

Provides valuable opportunities for students to connect with other Deaf and hard of hearing students while engaging in a range of targeted services. For more information, contact lisa.hunt@kotakureo.school.nz.

- **NZSL Immersion Day School (Hub)**

Sustainable, inclusive learning spaces where NZSL is at the heart of quality curriculum-based teaching and learning. These are currently available in Invercargill, Dunedin, Christchurch, Wellington, Hawkes Bay, and Hamilton. [Check out the link for more information](#). This link also has contact details for each Day School (Hub).

- **ITS (Interim Targeted Service)**

The purpose of this service is to decide if a student needs to move along the RTD service continuum (i.e. from indirect to direct or direct to indirect) because of an identified teaching, learning, or social/emotional need. It is for a short period of time only – maximum one hour a week for one term. For more information, email outreachschool@kotakureo.school.nz

- **Assessment Visits**

Whānau of primary school children nationally can have the opportunity to stay onsite at Ko Taku Reo (Christchurch campus) and attend our four-day programme led by our specialist team. The focus during the programme will be to assess and determine the support needed to ensure the student can be a competent and capable learner. For more information, [see link](#) or contact assessment@kotakureo.school.nz.



TAILORED

Te Arotahi

Provides more specific support for unique needs and contexts.

- **NZ Sign Language Services**

A service for Deaf and hard of hearing students who are enrolled in a local/charter school, kura kaupapa, Māori medium school, or a specialist school other than Ko Taku Reo, and who best access their learning in NZSL. Applications for funding to support schools to employ an Educational Interpreter (EI) or Communication Education Support Worker (CESW) can be made any time during the year. For more information, [see link](#) or contact nzslschool@kotakureo.school.nz.

- **NZSL Tutor**

Provides hand-on support to Deaf and hard of hearing students identified through the NZ Sign Language Services, and works with their families and staff to improve their signing skills and raise awareness of Deaf culture. For more information, [see link](#).

- **RTD Direct Service**

A regional outreach service delivered by a Resource Teacher of the Deaf. They are allocated to provide direct support to the Deaf or hard of hearing student to support their learning in their school of enrolment. Student needs are prioritised around language levels and functioning in the classroom, and ORS status. For further information please contact outreachschool@kotakureo.school.nz or [check out the website](#).

- **Enrolled School Bilingual Provisions**

Are for school-aged DHH learners who enrol directly with us. This is because they require specialist teaching to access the New Zealand Curriculum. The family enter into a Section 37 Agreement under the Education and Training Act 2020 with the Ministry of Education. This is required to access these bilingual Provisions, with ORS funding being a requirement for students to be able to get this agreement. Day students will be eligible for transport assistance through SESTA (Specialised School Transport Assistance) – either a taxi or payment of mileage. Our primary bilingual Provisions are in Auckland, Wellington, and Christchurch. For more information [see link](#).

- **Kelston Primary School** in West Auckland from Year 0 to Year 6.

These students are all day students and live within 60 minutes of the school.

- **Kelston Intermediate** in West Auckland from Year 7 to Year 8.

Students can attend as a day student or live in our Residences in Kelston.

- **Ormiston Primary** in South Auckland from Year 0 to Year 6.
Students are all day students and live within 60 minutes of the school.
- **Ormiston Junior College** in South Auckland from Year 7 to Year 10.
Students are all day students and live within 60 minutes of the school.
- **Linden Primary** in Wellington from Year 0 to Year 8.
Students are all day students and live within 60 minutes of the school.
- **Wharenuī Primary** in Christchurch from Year 0 to Year 8.
Students are all day students and live within 60 minutes of the school.

- **Residences**

Located in Christchurch and Auckland. Their purpose is to provide accommodation for Year 7 and Year 8 students, alongside secondary-aged students, who live outside of Christchurch, Wellington, or Auckland, so they can access our bilingual Provisions. Placement for Year 7 and 8 students is done on a case-by-case basis. Students live on site during term time, and a home-like environment is provided where students can learn, grow, and be immersed in Deaf Culture. All students and whānau who are interested must have a placement visit. For more information [see website](#) or contact nicki.morrison@kotakureo.school.nz.