

To the parents, whānau, and kaiako

## Akarangi | Quality Evaluation of Your Early Childhood Service

The Education Review Office (ERO) will soon be undertaking a Quality Evaluation of your early childhood service. Your service was invited and agreed to participate in this new approach to evaluating quality. The manager or leader of your service will let you know when the review team will be onsite.

## What does ERO want to know?

A Quality Evaluation focuses on the extent to which your early childhood service has the learning and organisational conditions to support each child's learning and development.

To find this out, ERO will discuss what your service knows about what is happening for children, what is contributing or hindering this and what your service is doing to improve quality. We will use the recently published <u>Te Ara Poutama Indicators of quality for early childhood education: what matters most</u>, to make judgements in relation to Ngā Akatoro | the Domains and what your service knows about children's learning in relation to the outcomes of *Te Whāriki*.

ERO reviewers will talk with adults in the service, read documents and observe aspects of the curriculum. ERO will also be interested in how parents and whānau are supported to contribute to their child's learning and how kaiako and parents and whānau are involved in decision-making in the service.

Once we have all the information we need, ERO will summarise what we found in a brief report. The report will be sent to your service and will be published on our website after the review (<a href="www.ero.govt.nz">www.ero.govt.nz</a>).

## How can you get involved?

Our review officers are happy to talk to parents, whānau and kaiako during the evaluation.

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