

To the parents, whānau, and kaiako

Governing Organisation Evaluation of Your Early Childhood Service

The Education Review Office (ERO) will soon be undertaking an evaluation of the organisation that governs and manages your early childhood education service. Your service has been chosen to be visited by ERO as part of this process. The manager or leader of your service will let you know when the review team will be onsite.

What does ERO want to know?

This part of a governing organisation evaluation focuses on the extent to which:

- the early childhood service has the learning conditions to support equitable and excellent outcomes for all children
- the governing organisation supports the service to improve quality.

To find this out, ERO will discuss with the organisation representatives what they know about what is happening for children in the service. ERO will draw on aspects of *Te Ara Poutama Piki Ake, Kake Ake Indicators of quality for early childhood education: what matters most,* and what the service knows about children's learning in relation to the outcomes of *Te Whāriki*, the early childhood curriculum.

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

ERO will summarise what we found across all the services visited and include this information in the ERO evaluation report for the organisation. The report will focus on the extent to which the governing organisation supports its services to achieve positive outcomes for children. The report will be sent to the organisation and published on our website after the evaluation has been confirmed. <u>www.ero.govt.nz</u>

We look forward to being in your early childhood service.

ERO review team