

Here's the cover letter:

Dear Hiring Committee,

I am writing to express my keen interest in the Kaiako position at Te Kura Waenga O Rutherford | Rutherford Intermediate School. With 18+ years of dedicated experience in Foundation Phase and Special Education, I am passionate about creating inclusive, supportive learning environments that enable every student to thrive.

My professional background is specifically aligned with your school's commitment to inclusive education. As a registered New Zealand teacher with a Bachelor of Education in Foundation Phase, I bring extensive expertise in supporting students with diverse learning needs, including those with autism, Down syndrome, ADHD, and intellectual disabilities. My Makaton and Sign Language certifications further demonstrate my commitment to accessible, adaptive communication strategies.

Throughout my career, I have developed comprehensive skills in curriculum adaptation, behaviour modification, and personalised learning support. My approach focuses on recognising each student's unique strengths and designing targeted interventions that promote academic and social development. I am particularly skilled at creating inclusive classroom environments where all learners feel valued, supported, and empowered to reach their full potential.

Rutherford Intermediate's reputation for educational excellence and commitment to student-centred learning deeply resonates with my professional philosophy. I am excited about the opportunity to contribute my specialized skills and passionate teaching approach to your school community.

I would welcome the opportunity to discuss how my experience and qualifications could contribute to your team. Thank you for considering my application.

Warm regards,

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