

Tena koutou,

I am writing to express my strong interest in the Kaiako position at Te Aho o Te Kura Pounamu, where I believe my extensive experience in Foundation Phase and Special Education will be a valuable asset to your learning community.

With 18+ years of dedicated teaching experience, I bring a comprehensive background in supporting diverse learners, particularly those with special educational needs. My expertise spans working with students with autism, Down syndrome, ADHD, and intellectual disabilities, consistently demonstrating a commitment to inclusive, adaptive, and compassionate education.

My Bachelor of Education in Foundation Phase, combined with my current New Zealand Teaching Registration, equips me with the professional credentials and pedagogical knowledge to effectively support students across Years 1-10. My additional certifications in Makaton and Sign Language further underscore my ability to communicate and support students with diverse communication needs.

Throughout my career, I have developed robust skills in curriculum adaptation, behavior modification, and creating individualized learning environments that empower students to reach their full potential. My multilingual background in English and Afrikaans, coupled with my extensive special education training, allows me to approach teaching with flexibility, empathy, and cultural sensitivity.

I am particularly drawn to Te Aho o Te Kura Pounamu's commitment to innovative and inclusive education. The opportunity to contribute my skills and passion to your educational approach is both exciting and deeply meaningful to me.

I would welcome the opportunity to discuss how my experience and dedication could contribute to your school's vision and student success.

Kind regards,

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