

Tena koe,

I am writing to express my strong interest in the Kaiako position for Maori Medium (Level 1) Akomanga at Marton Junction School. With 18+ years of dedicated experience in Foundation Phase and Special Education, I am passionate about creating inclusive, supportive learning environments that celebrate diversity and individual potential.

My comprehensive background in special educational needs, including extensive work with students with autism, Down syndrome, ADHD, and intellectual disabilities, aligns perfectly with the inclusive educational principles I understand are fundamental to New Zealand's educational approach. My Bachelor of Education in Foundation Phase, coupled with my current NZ Teaching Registration, provides a solid foundation for delivering high-quality, adaptable educational experiences.

My unique skill set includes specialized certifications in Makaton and Sign Language (Modules 1 & 2), which enable me to communicate effectively with students who have diverse communication needs. Throughout my career, I have consistently demonstrated expertise in curriculum adaptation, behavior modification, and creating personalized learning strategies that support each student's unique learning journey.

Having worked extensively in inclusive educational settings, I am deeply committed to creating learning environments where every child can thrive. My multilingual background in English and Afrikaans, combined with my cultural sensitivity, allows me to build meaningful connections with students and support their holistic development.

I am excited about the opportunity to contribute to Marton Junction School's educational community and would welcome the chance to discuss how my skills and experience can support your team's goals.

Nga mihi nui,

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