



NELSON BAYS RTL B SERVICE

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*He orange mou, he orange mo tatou
What benefits one, benefits all*

Dear colleagues

This being the final Nelson Bays RTL B Newsletter for the year it is appropriate to acknowledge the first year of 'RTL B Transformation' and the people who have so willingly supported the new Cluster.

Anne Carnahan and Barbara Long have tendered their resignations effective the end of the year. I wish to acknowledge their wonderful work they have provided on behalf of the service which spans over many years. At the twilight of their careers they were delivered a major challenge 'transformation'. Both have been valued and should be acknowledged for their high level of professionalism and commitment to ensuring their schools and students continued to be well supported throughout this process. They diligently 'transferred', 'professionally asked questions' and 'challenged' the process without losing sight of their students and schools. We lose two extremely experienced RTL B, however their part in the transformation and previous service is very much appreciated. I wish them the very best as they move into retirement. I recognize and acknowledge they have been key players in ensuring a high quality of service has been delivered to schools.

Following the Ministers announcement to amalgamate the SLS service with RTL B we continue to actively support redeployment options, ensuring personnel gain the best possible outcomes and that continued support for SLS students during the transition period is maintained. We await a decision from the Ministry regarding plans submitted for consideration. Irrespective of the Ministry's decision and on behalf of you all I acknowledge and applaud the work our Nelson Bays SLS teachers have done in support of identified students in our region.

Lynette Evans was appointed as Cluster Manager from the beginning of Term 2. Lyn has worked tirelessly and has remained totally focused on ensuring Nelson Bays is at the top end of service delivery for New Zealand. She has successfully achieved on behalf of us all an expectation of quality and has been unrelenting in ensuring all RTL B deliver the highest possible service for our students and schools. I

commend her for her commitment and approach and am reassured this will continue in 2013 and beyond.

The Nelson Bays Advisory Group was formed in Term 2. Membership represents all stakeholders from throughout the Nelson region. All members are focused on the strategic plan developed for our schools and students. Their time and commitment is acknowledged. I appreciate they are truly supportive and committed to ensuring the service provides the highest quality of delivery.

I am grateful to management within the Nelson MoE Office for their continued support and guidance and willingness to create a seamless and transparent partnership with the service.

To you all 'Thank You'. Your support, constructive feedback and challenging questions has been appreciated. This has been purposeful in ensuring we are meeting your needs.

In recent months (following the announcement of the SLS amalgamation) we have been focused on the issue of accommodating additional RTL B's as well as creating a centralized community of practice. Thank you to Nayland College for agreeing to provide a satellite base from the beginning of 2013. The Nelson Central Satellite will close at the end of this year. Existing RTL B will relocate to Nayland College along with newly appointed RT's. We are excited about forming a partnership with Nayland College while also developing closer ties with secondary education.

The structure for 2013 will be satellites based at Richmond, Broadgreen Intermediate, Nayland College, Motueka South and Golden Bay High Schools. Please be assured because satellites have moved this will not affect the delivery or quality of service within schools.

I trust you will all have an opportunity to rest and relax and enjoy time with family over the festive season.

Michael

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