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Information following the child

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Me tīaki te mana o te tamaiti me tōna whānau

Protect the mana of the child and their family

- The name ***Te Rito was gifted by Te Aupouri*** and represents ***the baby flax at the heart of the harakeke.***
- Te Rito has the tamaiti and child, and their whānau and family, at its heart. ***They are at the centre of everything we do.***
- ***Te Rito prioritises the safety and security of information*** about ākonga and whānau.

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For the sector by the sector

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Ngā Rau Whakatupu: Co-design. Co-govern. Co-deliver.

Te Rau Whakatupu - Māori

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Ngā Rau Whakatupu cont.

Peak body and associations – Te Rito representation and support

Relationship with Peak bodies through representation of Ngā Rau Whakatupu members	
NZPF	NZ Pasifika Principals Association
SPANZ	NZAIMS
Te Akatea Māori Principals Association	SEPAnz
NZEI / Te Reo Areare	PPTA

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The Te Rito vision

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Te Rito enables core learner information to follow them throughout their education at no cost to schools or kura

Over time, Te Rito will:

- provide a rich, strengths-based picture of learning and well-being that develops as the learner progresses through their education
- not require double-handling of data
- connect kura and schools making it easy to collaborate
- include a range of functions to support teaching, learning and classroom administration that schools may choose to use.

The long-term aim is to connect all educators, learners and whānau, from early learning to post-secondary learning to Te Rito.

But right now, the focus is on connecting kura and schools.

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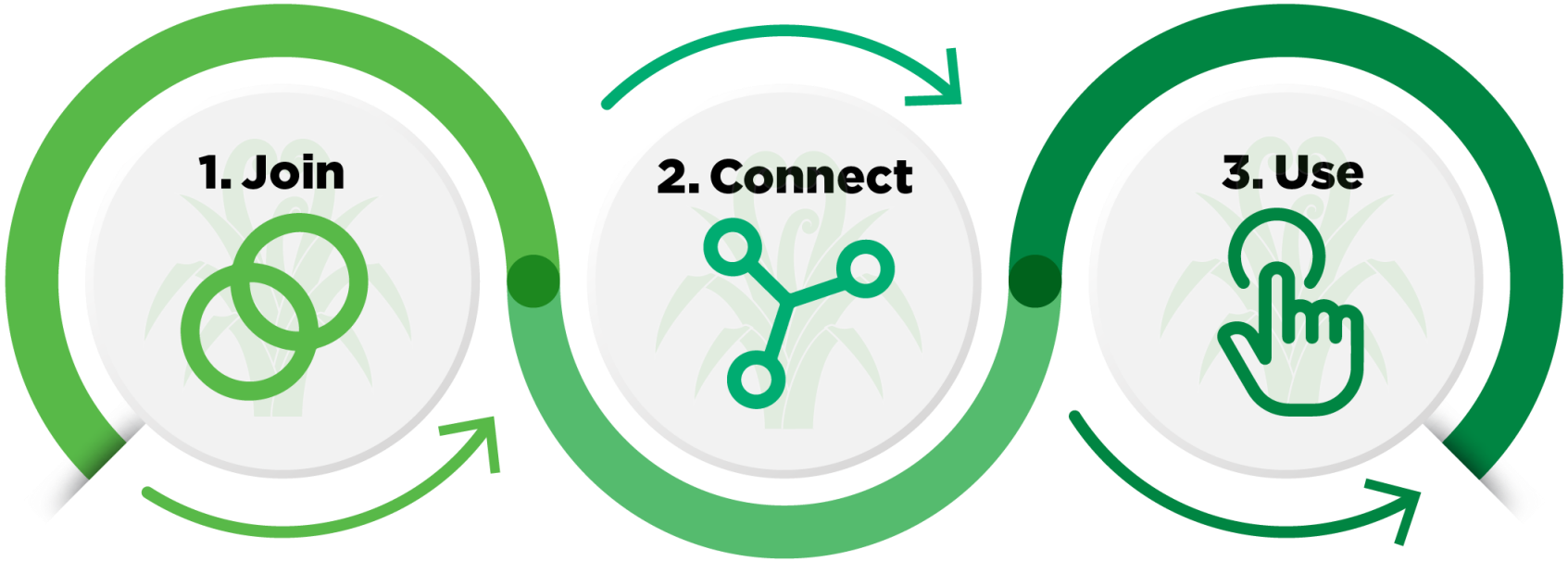
Te Rito in three simple steps



Register using the form

Give permission to connect SMS

Progressively onboard kura and schools in coming years

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Staged Rollout

Start slowly and expand the rollout as we learn what works best, adapting the technology and support as we go.

Term 4 2023

Invitation to kura and schools to connect their SMS to begin building the dataset and securing core learner data.

Onboard **Ko Taku Reo**.

2024

Onboard kura and schools in **Whangārei**, and those that participated in the 2019/20 **Early Stage Rollout in Pūtauaki Kahui Ako and Otago/ Southland** that wish to opt in.

Mid 2024 +

Extend to **Te Tai Tokerau**. Progressively roll out Te Rito across the motu.

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We will start small …

Once onboarded, kura and schools connected to Te Rito will have access to:

- Groups / Collaboration space
- Newsfeed
- Launchpad (for useful links, applications and resources)
- Attendance data
- Transitions
- School information (my learners, my parents, my classes)

- Messaging
- Some assessment, achievement and reporting information
- Calendar
- Familiar look and feel (similar to social media platforms like Facebook)
- Recent activity
- Search

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And expand as we learn …

As we progress, Te Rito has the potential to include:

- Expanding record of learning for ākonga and learners
- Access for ākonga and learners and their parents and whānau
- Learning stories and portfolio
- The standardised Learning Support Register (sLSR)

  Note that the sLSR is not in scope for the Te Rito rollout. There is still work to do *to ensure the sLSR can be deployed at scale.*

…and over time

- A wealth of teaching and learning tools that meet the privacy and security standards necessary to integrate with Te Rito

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Is Te Rito secure?

You can be confident that Te Rito is safe and secure.
Te Rito was paused in 2021 to address cyber security concerns with SMS that connect to Te Rito. The issues have since been resolved by ensuring learner information flows securely one way from the SMS into Te Rito's protected database.

The Te Rito platform meets stringent international privacy and security standards
Edsby, the vendor who owns the platform supporting Te Rito, has ISO27001 Certification for their Information Security Management System. This is an independently audited assessment and provides assurance that Te Rito is managed to industry best practices.

Te Rito has been designed to meet the requirements of the Privacy Act 2020
The Te Rito team is updating the Privacy Impact Assessment, in consultation with the Office of the Privacy Commissioner, and will continue to do so on a regular basis. We will provide a plain language summary for teachers, parents, and students in the first half of 2024.

Security that goes above and beyond industry norms
Te Rito performs regular and comprehensive security testing to provide extra assurance to students, parents, and schools that information is safe, protected and only shared with the right people at the right time.

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Privacy and security

- Only specified people will be authorised to access Te Rito.
- Dashboards, and the data shown in them, will vary according to the role and permissions users are assigned.
- Authorised users will only be able to view identifiable information about ākonga and learners in their own kura/school. Other data is anonymised.
- The Ministry of Education does not have access to data held in Te Rito, except for those providing technical support to ensure the integrity, security, and safety of the system

TE MEA NUI: You decide who has access to your ākonga and learner information, in line with the requirements of the Privacy Act 2020.

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Data Kaitiakitanga Group

An independent **Te Rito Data Kaitiakitanga Group** has been established to:

- Provide oversight of the use of information held in Te Rito
- Design and update the policies related to access
- Tightly control and audit access to Te Rito
- Determine who can use data held in Te Rito, for what purpose, and under what conditions

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