

# Te Rito

Imagine all the possibilities if ākonga and learner  
information could follow them throughout their education.

We're making it happen.



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# Data following the learner.

Te Rito is a secure, cloud-based platform connecting SMSs with Ministry and other systems so information follows learners throughout their education.



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# The big picture

## Transitions

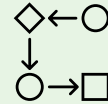


**2,834** learners  
changed schools  
two or more times <sup>1</sup>

**1,504** were  
ākonga Māori

**5,600** teachers can  
plan for their arrival

## SMSs

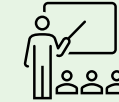


No SMS has more than  
**40%** of the market <sup>2</sup>

**96%** of all learners  
attend a school with  
1 of the 4 main ones

Each year **286,374** will  
move to a new school  
with a different one

## Dual enrolments



Each year **6%** of all  
learners are enrolled at  
more than one school

In Te Rito that's **50K**  
student records  
available as a  
single view

## Student records



Te Rito already has **171K**  
student records made  
up of **33M** data points

and in time up to **1.3M**  
parents will see a  
consolidated record for  
their tamariki <sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Figures apply to the period between 1 Mar and 1 Nov 2022. 'Transient' is defined as a student who changes schools twice or more in the period 1 Mar to 1 Nov in the same year, based on the first day of attendance at each school. Transient Students / Ākonga. Education Indicator – Student Engagement / Participation. Ministry of Education. 2022. [https://www.educationcounts.govt.nz/\\_data/assets/pdf\\_file/0011/208388/Transient-Students-Indicator-Report-2022.pdf](https://www.educationcounts.govt.nz/_data/assets/pdf_file/0011/208388/Transient-Students-Indicator-Report-2022.pdf)

<sup>2</sup> As at 2025.

<sup>3</sup> Te Rito's parent access trial is in 2025. It is estimated that 1.3M parent records are associated with 850,999 students, based on Statistics New Zealand household population data for 2025. <https://www.stats.govt.nz/infographics/families-and-households-in-aotearoa-new-zealand/>

# Making it simple

Te Rito supports a full understanding of learners' needs by making their attendance, achievement and participation information available in one place.

**Connects** schools, learners and their whānau\* with learning information from SMSs, Ministry and other systems.

**Enables** an end-to-end digital record for every school-enrolled learner in New Zealand.

**Informs** teaching and learning, and helps school leaders make evidence-based decisions.

**Supports** collaboration between schools by providing a common view across clusters and national-reach schools.

**Streamlines** admin and reporting – reducing manual, double-handling of information.

**Includes** a range of other features and functions that schools can choose to use.

# Making it happen

Establishing Te Rito across the motu is a big job but together we're:

**Connecting** schools so as much data as possible is secured in the platform.

**Supporting** principals, teachers and administrators in connected schools.

**Updating** dashboards and adding new data from Ministry and other systems.

**Integrating** more SMSs and suppliers so all schools can experience the benefits.

**Rolling out** Te Rito to all New Zealand's kura and schools.



# Making it happen

2023 2024			2025				2026 2027
	T3 Jul-Sept	T4 Oct-Dec	T1 Jan-Mar	T2 Apr-Jun	T3 Jul-Sep	T4 Oct-Dec	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Baseline student information from student management systems (SMS)</li> <li>✓ School information from FIRST added</li> <li>✓ Enrolment data from ENROL added</li> <li>✓ Student identifier information from NSI added</li> <li>✓ Dual enrolment functionality goes live</li> <li>✓ Teacher and student access added</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Custom group collaboration functionality introduced</li> <li>✓ Additional identity, demographic and contact data from SMS displayed</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ NCEA achievement data from NZQA introduced</li> <li>✓ Updates to support Ministry attendance reporting changes</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ New pre-enrolment features introduced</li> <li>✓ Funded supports, health and medical data from SMS displayed</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Enhancements to attendance dashboard</li> <li>✓ Basic data for all students added</li> <li>✓ SMS vendor Hero integration complete</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ standardised Learning Support Register (sLSR) decommissioned</li> <li>✓ Student foundational learning profile and dashboard added</li> <li>✓ New principal insights dashboards for attendance and achievement</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Other individualised learning support service statuses added, based on sector priorities</li> <li>✓ Parent access trial</li> <li>✓ Ministry assessment data from PACT, e-asTTle and TWA added</li> <li>Remaining SMS integrations completed</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>NZCER assessment data from PAT and STAR added</li> <li>B4 School Checks from Te Whatu Ora</li> <li>Additional data sources added as decided by the sector</li> </ul>
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Ministry in-class support, school high health needs and ESOL status data added</li> <li>✓ Ministry RTLb, RT Māori, Reading Recovery, Assistive Technology status added</li> <li>✓ Ministry Ongoing Resourcing Scheme (ORS), Specialised School Transport Assistance and RTLit funding status added</li> <li>✓ Ministry reading and behavioural support status added</li> </ul>				
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Completed</li> <li>✓ In progress</li> <li>Priority</li> </ul>				

as at May 2025.

We review and update the roadmap regularly to reflect sector advice.



# Making it real

## To connect to Te Rito

Register at [Connect my SMS to Te Rito](#)





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## **Me tīaki te mana o te tamaiti me tōna whānau**

Protect and uphold the mana of the child and their family

Ākonga and learners' Information is taonga and must be protected. Te Rito's whakatauāki acknowledges this and underpins everything we do.

The name Te Rito was gifted to us by Te Aupōuri. It represents the young flax at the heart of the harakeke, where it is secure and protected as it grows and flourishes – reflecting our protection of information as taonga.



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