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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 information from SMSs, Ministry and other systems to a digital record for every learner – that follows them throughout their education.



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The big picture

Transitions

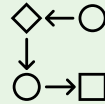


2,834 learners changed schools two or more times ¹

1,504 were ākonga Māori

5,600 teachers can plan for their arrival

SMSs

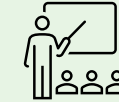


No SMS has more than **40%** of the market ²

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 has a record for **826K** students

up to **45M** data points from **184K** records of connected students

and in time up to **1.3M** parents can be confident a record for each of their tamariki is secure ³

¹ 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

² As at 2025.

³ 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.

Te Rito:

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.

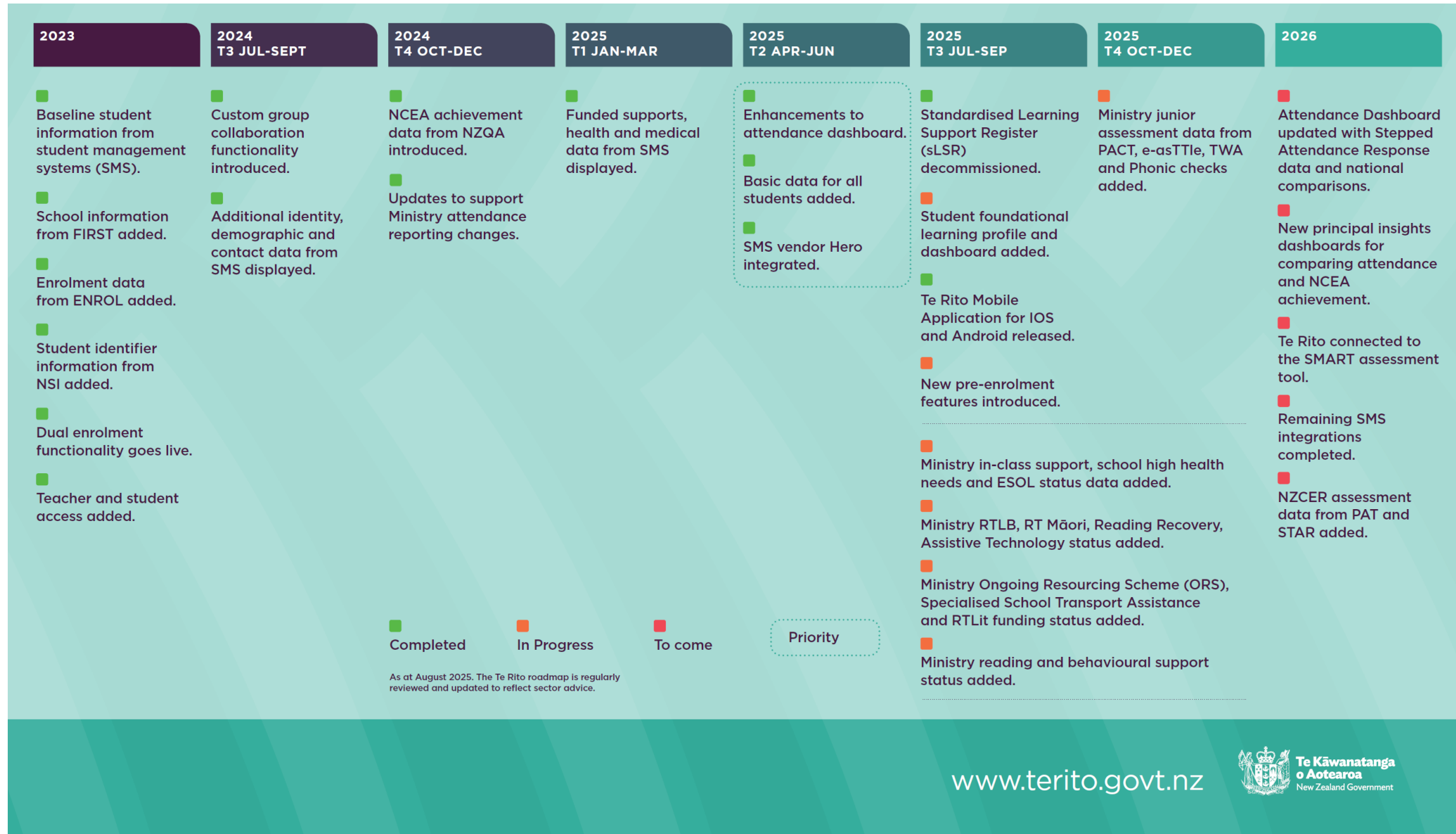
Updating dashboards and adding new data from Ministry and other systems.

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

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

Our roadmap

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Making it real

To connect to Te Rito

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





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.

