

# Tirohanga Whānui o Te Kaupapa Ako Whakamana

### Tātai Pūmanawa

Tō ingoa	Mereana Watene
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Tauākī	Whaia atu i te mātauranga, te reo me ōna tikanga, hei oranga ngākau, oranga wairua, oranga hinengaro, oranga whanau.  Mereana is a Māori Medium Professional Learning and Development Facilitator at Te Puna Wānanga, the School of Māori Education within the Faculty of Education and Social Work at The University of Auckland.  Mereana has over 25 years of teaching experience in a range of education settings including immersion reo, Māori medium kura, Secondary Māori years 9-13, as kaiako, HOD, community liason and acting Deputy Principal.  Her specialist areas of support are te reo matatini years 1-8, aromatawai, accelerating student achievement in te reo matatini and te reo Māori years 9-13 (including NCEA),

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#### Ngā pūkenga ngaiao - Areas of specialist professional learning and development expertise

- Extensive knowledge in Te Reo Matatini
- Ability to administer assessment, analyse and moderate Pānui, Tuhituhi and Kōrero.
- Assessment for learning and assessment of learning to raise student achievement within kura.
- Apply accelerated learning programmes to lift student achievement in Te Reo Matatini (Programmes for Students)
- Developed kaiako knowledge and understanding of the structure of te wāhanga ako, Te Reo Māori
- Co-construct and negotiate action plans.

- Te Marautanga o Aotearoa
- Ngā Whanaketanga Rūmaki Māori
- He Ara Ako i te Reo Matatini
- Collaborative leadership including coaching and mentoring kaiako.
- Developing relationships between kura and their community by organising consultation hui, workshops. (Community Liason)
- Create webcasts for Kaiako to access
- Mentored kaiako to apply language learning strategies
- Te Aho Arataki Marau knowledge & practice

# Ngā Kōrero Ngaio

#### Ngā tohu mātauranga - Qualifications

- 2016: Post Graduate Diploma Teachers of Te Reo Māori, The University of Auckland
- 2006: New Zealand Diploma in Specialist Subjects (Secondary Teacher) Christchurch College of Education
- 1991: Diploma of Teaching Te Kura Akoranga o Tāmaki Makaurau
- 1990: He tohu Mātauranga Māori (Te Ātakura)

Mereana has completed a Tuhinga roa in Te Reo, researching information on the Revitalisation of Te Reo Māori. Her kaupapa addressed the effective pedagogical practices within a Māori Immersion class in an English medium school. Since the start of the Immersion unit around 1987, these practices have evolved, along with the development of Te Marautanga, Te Reo Matatini and Aromatawai, to support kaiako in their teaching practice.

#### Te whakahaere/whakapakari kaupapa ako – Experience in PLD delivery

Mereana has gained deep experience at all levels of the education sector over the past 25 years in a range of settings i.e a strong hapū based rūmaki reo, a Māori medium kura, and secondary Māori in an Area school. During this time she has had various roles such as kaiako, lead manager of the reo unit, Community Liason and Acting Deputy Principal in an Area School and a Māori medium kura. Maintaining tikanga and kaupapa Māori practices and working closely with kura communities have been pivotal in these roles. She has taught all marautanga in te Reo, to classes ranging from yr 1 to yr 10, including Yrs 9 to 13, NCEA Te Reo Māori and Te Reo Rangatira.

Merana joined Te Puna Wānanga Māori Medium PLD in 2014 and has provided Māori medium PLD support in Tai Tokerau to tumuaki and kaiako in the following areas; te reo Māori to support teachers use of effective teaching and learning practices and approaches in relation to te wāhanga ako te reo Māori, within Te Marautanga o Aotearoa; Aromatawai - to support teachers overall teacher judgements, inquiry frameworks; Programme for students – to support teachers accelerating student achievement in te reo matatini.

#### Ngā kaupapa i kaha whāia

- 2016; Member of Kāhui Aromatawai group lead by Cath Rau, to support Aromatawai provision
- 2016: Kaiaka Reo: Reo-A-Waha Ki te Motu
- 2016: Present NCEA wānanga: Example of assessment, Modify, moderate assessment
- 2016: Present Te Huinga Raukura tuhituhi resource
- 2016: Enter Post Graduate Diploma for Teachers of Te Reo Māori
- 2015: Hopukina (Oral language assessment tool) to learn how to assess oral language
- 2015: Te Waharoa Ararau PLD

# He whakarāpopotonga tauira mahi

The following is an overview of the examples of practice contained in Mereana's portfolio:

I have worked in a range of Kura in Māori medium settings in the Northland region through a range of PLD activities eg clusters, workshops, in-school visits to support Tumuaki, Kaiako and support staff to:

- make reference to Te Reo Māori wāhanga ako throughout their planning, making clear links to whainga paetae matua.
- implement accelerated learning programmes in Te Reo Matatini, to accelerate student learning and achievement.
- gain knowledge and understanding of Aromatawai practices in Te Reo Matatini.

#### Kaitautoko

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