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Pūhoro Report
(July 2023 - July 2024)



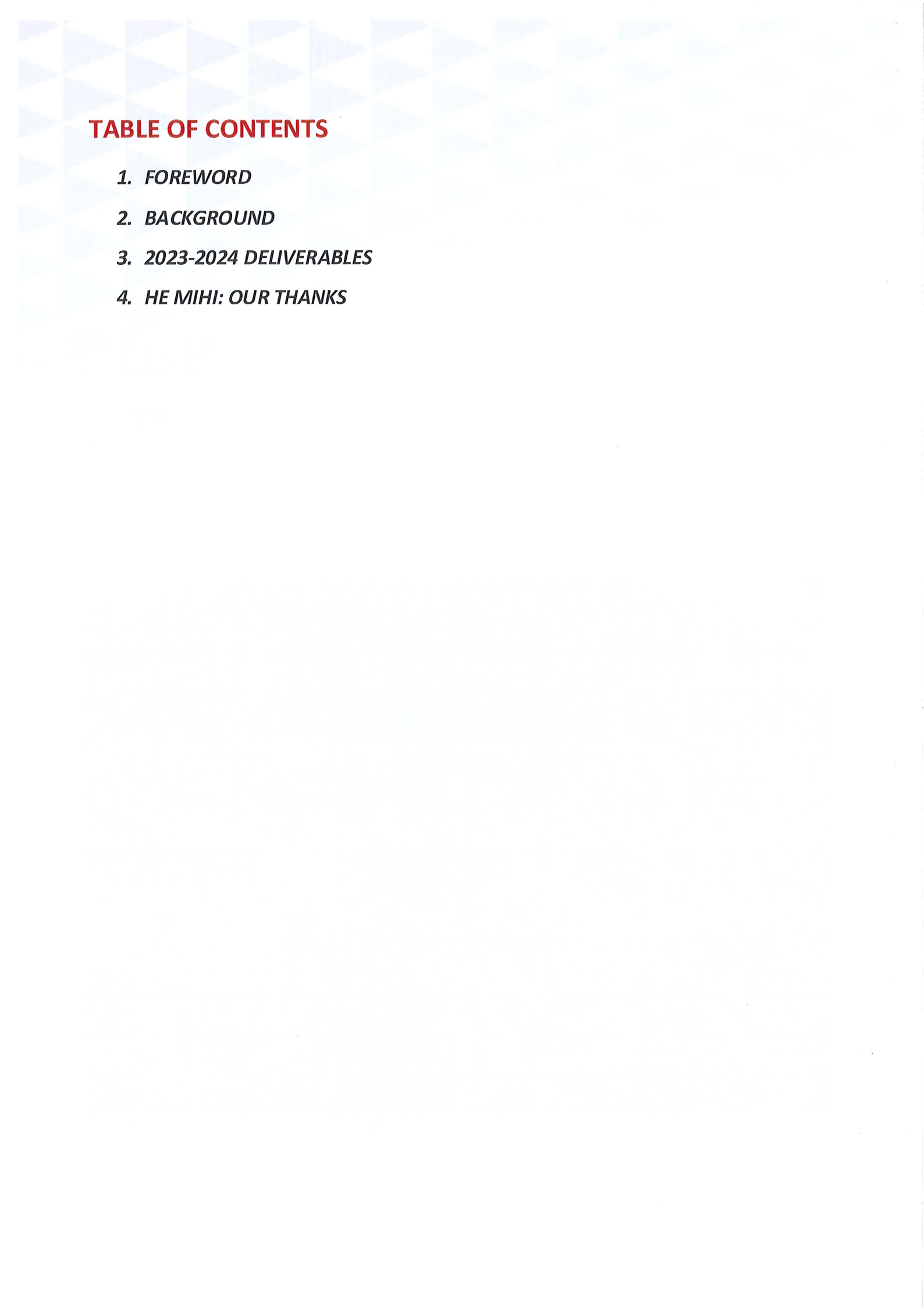
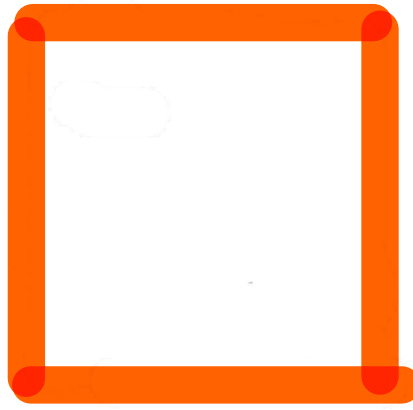


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Pou Hiranga: Senior Advisor Pūhoro

It is my pleasure to present this report on behalf of the Pūhoro Charitable Trust, highlighting our collaborative efforts over the past year. Pūhoro and NZQA share a strong commitment towards elevating rangatahi achievement. This shared vision has allowed us to explore and implement initiatives that support our collective goal of engaging more rangatahi and whānau in STEMM and NCEA.

In partnership with NZQA, Pūhoro have been dedicated to exposing ākonga to a wide range of NCEA and career opportunities within STEMM. Our shared kaupapa has introduced ākonga to inspiring role models, has given them necessary work experience through Te Kāhui Ākonga, and has provided them with regular engagements and hands-on wānanga designed to bolster their success in STEMM and NCEA. These touchpoints have in earnest, created a platform where rangatahi can share their voice and contribute meaningfully to an ever-evolving education system.

Since July 2023, we have continued to build on our previous achievements. This report outlines our progress in meeting the agreed deliverables, showcasing the impactful mahi we have accomplished together in our participating regions.

Please accept this Updated Milestone Report, which fulfils as promised, the requirements and deliverables as outlined in our relationship agreement.

He Waka Eke Noa!

2023-2024 DELIVERABLES

As per the previous year both Pūhoro and NZQA agreed to:

- *work together and share information about how to increase ākonga Māori participation and achievement in STEM related areas; and*
- *maintain good relationships with each other at all times;*
- *meet quarterly as a minimum to discuss deliverables, how the agreement is working, and any amendments required;*
- *act in good faith at all times;*
- *be transparent with each other without breaching confidentiality; and*
- *acknowledge each party's priorities and use best endeavours to support them.*

To date our mutual relationship has been a success and this is reflected in the mahi that has been completed together across the country. The following presents an update on our agreed deliverables for the 2023-2024 period.

The agreed deliverables for the 2023-2024 period include:

- 1. Ākonga engagements at Wānanga**
- 2. NCEA Workshops and Training**
- 3. Te Kāhui Ākonga support, and**
- 4. Communications.**

2024 Ākonga Engagements at Wānanga

Pūhoro agreed to:

- *Schedule and coordinate the delivery of NCEA me te Ākonga workshops in at least six (6) Pūhoro wānanga, and deliver to a minimum of 500 ākonga*
- *Deliver STEM activities to rangatahi, and*
- *Recognise NZQA as a sponsor and include branding in wānanga promotions.*

As of 5 July 2024, Pūhoro have successfully delivered seventeen (17) wānanga from July 2023 – July 2024 across the following regions:

Completed:

- ***Te Tai Tokerau***
- Waikato
- Rotorua
- Hawke's Bay
- ***Manawatū***
- Wanganui
- ***Horowhenua***
- ***Auckland (Central)***
- ***Auckland (South)***
- ***Christchurch***

In each of the above regions in ***bold italic***, we included the NCEA workshops in our Year 11 programme and have so far engaged **1099 ākonga** through wānanga. These numbers do not include NCEA engagement in schools (see *NCEA Workshops and Training*). As promised, Pūhoro have now completed **7 NCEA workshops**, with the seventh workshop completed in Christchurch on 04 July 2024. This metric fulfils the requirement of 6 as per our *2024 Akonga Engagements at Wānanga* deliverables.

Pūhoro also developed the following hands-on STEM workshops which were delivered to over 1,500 rangatahi from July 2023 – July 2024:

Science:	Te Mauri o te Taiao – Reforestation Climate Change (water testing)
Technology:	Genetics (reproduction) Ngā mata o te Ariki (Robotics) Solar Cars
Engineering:	Rona me te Marama (hydraulics) Catapults
Maths:	Ngā hau o Tāwhirimātea (wind-powered <i>Strandbeest</i> model design)

NZQA continues to be promoted as a Pūhoro partner in the introduction sessions at all Wānanga and we would be happy to display an NZQA banner at future Wānanga should you entrust us with one.

NCEA Workshops and Training

Pūhoro agreed to work with NZQA to:

- *Coordinate 6 NCEA me te Whānau workshops for Pūhoro whānau, across Pūhoro regions and*
- *Coordinate training in NCEA me te Ākonga for at least six (6) Pūhoro Kaihautū.*

In January of this year **eight (8) Kaihautū**, and rangatahi from Te Kāhui Ākonga engaged with NZQA in a series of NCEA workshop redesign sessions focused on engaging whānau in 2024. Pūhoro are pleased to report that eight **(8) NCEA me te Whānau workshops** have been successfully delivered to **sixty-seven (67) whānau** across our participating regions. These workshops were delivered as part of our *Pūhoro Whānau Day*, with some of the sessions delivered during whānau engagements across the 2023-2024 school terms.

As an additional deliverable, Pūhoro leveraged from the NCEA redesign development workshops to create bespoke, *NCEA me te Ākonga* sessions. These student-focused sessions had similar messaging to *NCEA me te Whānau*, but were uniquely pitched to ākonga and were delivered in schools across

the participating regions. Pūhoro Kaihautū led these sessions, and in collaboration with NZQA, used each opportunity to gather NSN numbers from ākonga.. Pūhoro are pleased to report that a total of **nineteen (19) NCEA me te Ākonga sessions** were successfully delivered.

Te Kāhui Ākonga support

Pūhoro agreed to:

- *Work with NZQA to maintain 'Te Kāhui Ākonga' (TKA) representation to ensure NZQA has appropriate Ākonga Māori perspectives on service design and relevant messaging across our social media platforms*
- *Provide adequate Kaihautū supervision at 'Te Kāhui Ākonga' hui and engagements.*

TKA continues to be a great opportunity for ākonga to actively engage with Liaison [REDACTED] and the wider team at NZQA, provide valuable feedback on NZQA service design and contribute to the creation and review of educational content. Although TKA have reverted to online hui with NZQA, ākonga in TKA continue to value the experience. Of note was the Te Tiriti session run at the last meeting by [REDACTED] whom rangatahi found highly beneficial.

Furthermore, Pūhoro facilitated the placement of two new ākonga in TKA, succeeding the two outgoing ākonga who completed their tenure. Their input, alongside their fellow ākonga has ensured that the rangatahi voice and perspectives remain integral to NZQA's initiatives. By fostering a collaborative environment for educational innovation and development, TKA not only gain relative work experience, but rangatahi across the country get to benefit from innovative, ākonga voices.

Communications

Pūhoro agreed to:

- *Include NZQA brand in Pūhoro communications and social media promotions (as applicable)*
- *Provide access to and permissions for Pūhoro student photo library*
- *Coordinate interviews with Kaihautū, ākonga and their whānau for NZQA's reporting and publicity requirements*

As per the previous year Pūhoro has promoted and acknowledged our NZQA partnership at Wānanga in each of our operating regions. NZQA has been acknowledged and tagged into relevant social media comms where applicable. Pūhoro ākonga have also been active on the NCEA me te Whānau Facebook and Instagram pages. Of note is the interviews completed alongside ākonga promoting the Pūhoro kaupapa.

Do date there have been no requests from NZQA to use student images for reporting and promoting purposes, however Pūhoro will continue to communicate with NZQA should the need present itself. Pūhoro is happy to share student images with NZQA for reporting and promotional purposes but did not receive any such requests over the 2022-2023 period.

HE MIHI: OUR THANKS

Our partnership has successfully advanced our shared goal of enhancing ākonga engagement in STEMM and NCEA. With this updated milestone report, together we have now met all of our deliverables but more importantly, we have collectively impacted rangatahi and whānau through wānanga, NCEA workshops and support through Te Kāhui Ākonga. These efforts to date have provided valuable learning experiences and ensured ākonga perspectives are central to the advancement of the NZQA kaupapa. We look forward to continuing this productive partnership and creating more opportunities for ākonga moving forward.

Ngā mihi nui ki a koutou, Manawatia a Matariki!