



**Te Tāhuhu o
te Mātauranga**
Ministry of Education

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Tēnā koe Ronald

OIA: GEMS-48424 – Curriculum sequencing and implementation rationale

Thank you for your email of 28 May 2026 to the Ministry of Education (the Ministry) and subsequent clarification email of 9 June 2026 requesting the following information:

copies of any final or substantive advice, briefings, implementation papers, risk assessments, research summaries, evaluations, or reports prepared or relied upon since 1 January 2023 that discuss:

- *implementation, transition, pacing, or sector readiness risks associated with revised sequencing or progression expectations;*
- *impacts of revised sequencing or progression expectations on learners performing below expected curriculum levels;*
- *mitigation strategies, supports, or implementation approaches considered or recommended in response to those risks.*

This request is limited to substantive or final material relied upon for policy development, implementation planning, or decision-making. It excludes routine administrative correspondence, drafting material, and publicly available consultation summaries.

Your request has been considered under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act).

The Ministry needs to extend the timeframe for responding to your request, pursuant to the following sections of the Act,

- 15A(1)(a), as the request is for a large quantity of information or necessitates a search through a large quantity of information, and meeting the original time limit would unreasonably interfere with the operations of the Ministry.
- 15A(1)(b), as consultations necessary to make a decision on the request are such that a proper response cannot reasonably be made within the original time limit.

You can now expect to receive a response to your request on or before 5 August 2026, which is an extension of 20 working days. Please note this takes into account Matariki on 10 July 2026.

You have the right to ask an Ombudsman to review my decision on your request, in accordance with section 28 of the Act. You can do this by writing to info@ombudsman.parliament.nz or to Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

Nāku noa, nā



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