

STRATEGIC PLAN

2024-2025













Snells Beach SCHOOL

Snells Beach School (est. 2009) is a semi rural school, minutes from the town of Warkworth, overlooking the beautiful Kawau Bay.

Snells Beach School opened in 2009 to provide education for students in Years 1 – 6 in the Mahurangi East area. Located approximately 45 minutes north of Auckland, the school is situated above beautiful Snells Beach, overlooking Kawau Bay on one side, and the Mahurangi River on the other.

The school has an Enrolment Zone, which extends from Sandspit, along the length of the Mahurangi East Peninsular, to Martins Bay and Scotts Landing, and includes Kawau Island.

We are a semi-rural school, and value being actively involved in our surroundings. Our students enjoy time at Snells Beach, Scandrett Regional Park, and by the Mahurangi River. We encourage kids to get wet, sandy and muddy as they explore our local beaches and parks.

We celebrate the cultural diversity of our students, and believe in supporting all learners to achieve their best. We acknowledge Ngāti Manuhiri as mana whenua, and they gifted us the name Te Manu o te Ngahere (The birds of the forest).

Snells Beach School is a Travelwise School – where parent support allows we run supervised Walking & Riding School Buses. Buses are also available on set routes for students who live further from the school.

The Snells Beach community has undergone significant change in recent times, as many ex baches and retirement homes have been transformed into family homes, and growing numbers of children have moved into the area. Our school enjoys the support of our close knit community.













Our Values

Here at SBS, while our learning is incredibly important, we believe building our character is the most important of all. That way we are empowered to make good decisions for ourselves, others and the world – a strong values base empowers us to use our knowledge for good. Each term we focus on one value. Classes talk about this value and we share knowledge about it at our Values Assemblies, which are really our SBS "family meetings".

"Living our values" isn't really about the individual values – it's about the process of how we live our lives to show them. We want kids to live all values, not just the ones we choose. We ask our kids if they were "living their values", or "how could we use our values to fix this" when they get angry or upset someone. Values aren't a threat – they are a tool to make things better.

Our Values are:

Respect Whakaute

Co-Operation Mahi Ngātahi

Peace Rangimaarie

Responsibility Haepapa

Simplicity Kia Ngawari

Humility Tu Whakaiti

Happiness Harikoa

Tolerance Pai te Rerekē

Freedom Mana

Honesty Pono

Love Aroha

Unity Kotahitanga

Our Vision

At Snells Beach School we are deeply committed to building strong sustainable relationships fostering a sense of belonging and identity. This is created in a safe, harmonious, student-centered environment that we are all proud to belong to. Our actions and words cultivate inclusion. The concept of whānau is evident as our partners in the education of our tamariki. They feel welcome, wanting to be involved and recognised and valued for their talents and contributions. We have positive links with the local community and utilise its rich natural and human resources to extend the opportunities for learning.

At Snells Beach School we are all learners. We intentionally develop strategies to build resilience in us all through a balance of challenge, risk-taking and support. We acknowledge it is ok to make mistakes. As learners we have a strong understanding of the relevance of our learning through being engaged in authentic, real life learning activities across a variety of curriculum areas. Living our lives with humour and respect for self, others and the environment is the norm here. We celebrate, support and value every person in our kura. Mā te tuakana te teina e tōtika, Mā te teina te tuakana e tōtika — (The older will lead the younger and the younger will lead the older)

Learning is exciting, relevant and fun for us all. Our learning engages our tamariki in authentic, real-life contexts being actively involved. Hands-on exploring of our rich natural environment is encouraged. Deep learning is built through strong relationships. We believe everyone can learn when given the right opportunity, support and encouragement. We believe in this current world a focus on simplicity and clarity for our learners is important so they know what they are learning, why they are learning it and are able to identify next steps.

Being an integral part of our local community is important to us all. We can hear people referring to our SBS family as kind, caring and knowing what matters. We experience opportunities to develop the skills to become self-sufficient and feel successful. We stand out as ambassadors for our place displaying good values, initiative and gratitude. "You don't have to worry about them, they'll be sweet" can be heard. We want to be able to retain our home-grown talent in our community. As our tamariki are the citizens of the future, we endeavour to be part of the decision making as the area grows and develops wider resources and infrastructure. Snells Beach School is the heart of this community, it is our turangawaewae, where it is clearly evident that whakawhanaungatanga, kaitiakitanga, and manakitanga are deeply embedded in our daily lives.



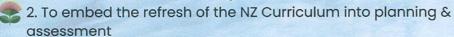
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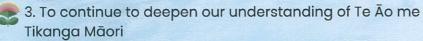
STRATEGIC FOCUS:

Curriculum Akoranga



- 1. To continue with evidenced based teaching practices to ensure consistency across classes as we grow:
- to embed structured literacy (Little Learners & Writer's Toolbox)
- to embed SBS structured maths plan, (inc Prime Maths for Years 2 - 6 across the school)





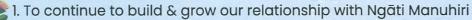
STRATEGIC OUTCOME:

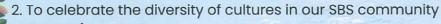
All ākonga achieving success

STRATEGIC FOCUS:

Relationships Whanaungatanga

Cultural Responsiveness





Community Events

🚬 1. To provide regular opportunities for whānau to connect/engage **Communication strategy**

1. To provide a variety of ways to connect with the community to share information, esp on learning, pedagogy, parenting & mental health

2. To ensure that reporting of student progress is clear & accessible

STRATEGIC OUTCOME

An inter-connected learning community that can successfully work together

STRATEGIC FOCUS:

Environment Taiao

Property/Buildings



1. To ensure that all buildings are safe, welcoming environments in which to work & learn



2. To oversee grant funded bike track installation



3. To ensure our facilities reflect our growing roll

Environmental education



1. To provide a local curriculum where all students are involved in enviro ed around the school and wider community



2. To ensure SBS sustains good environmental practices

STRATEGIC OUTCOME

A school that is fit for purpose & meets the needs of it's community

STRATEGIC FOCUS:

Culture Ahurea

Inclusive Education



1. To ensure SBS students are provided with appropriate support & **Enrichment programmes**

Hauora



1. To support teachers to deliberately & intentionally build a resilience & wellness programme

Values



1. To actively celebrate our values in action more widely



2. To support art work around the school to reflect our values & support parents & whanau

STRATEGIC OUTCOME

A school that values wellbeing and provides akonga with strategies to achieve this

Strategic Goals 2024

STRATEGIC ACTIONS:

Curriculum Akoranga

- Little Learners Love Literacy PLD for all teachers of Year 0 3 classes (AP to lead)
- Writer's Toolbox PLD for all teachers of Year 3 6 classes (AP to lead)
- To ensure that the update to the Prime maths programme is successfully implemented across the school (unit)
- Hold hui & fono to consult with Māori & Pasifika whanau on how our curriculum could best support their ākonga.
- Continue our relationship with MAC at both a staff and Board planning level (WSL)
- Build competency in our kaiako to be ready to implement the NZ Curriculum refresh via staff meetings etc
- Kaiako implement 3 hours of Reading, Writing & Maths in an integrated approach

STRATEGIC ACTIONS:

Relationships Whanaungatanga

- Engage with and value feedback from Ngāti Manuhiri on both local curriculum and school events
- Grow our Cultural Performance Group to reflect the diversity of our community
- Hold at least one event a term where the community & whānau are invited to come
- Literacy information evening (Term 1)
- Parenting & Mental Health information evening (Term 2)

STRATEGIC ACTIONS:

Environment Taiao

- Put pressure on the MOE to provide us with enough classrooms for our growing roll
- ensure SBS is a safe environment in which to work & learn
- establish a new 10YPP
- Bike Track to be installed Term 1 as per funding requirements
- Reinforce composting, recycling and gardening systems in our school (unit)
- Plant the northern boundary to lower mowing costs and prevent slipping and drainage issues
- Participate in Trees for Survival Planting (Year 4) (Unit)
- Work with DOC to assist in local revegetation planting (Year 5/6)

STRATEGIC ACTIONS:

Culture Ahurea

- Provide an enrichment programme to extend our Gifted & Talented senior students
- Fund Teacher Aide hours over and above those from MOE
- Engage The Tough Stuff to provide PLD in managing anxiety in students and parents
- Engage Bridget Farmiloe for Counselling
- Engage Bridget Farmiloe for PLD with staff on supporting students through separation/divorce, death and other stressors
- WSL position allocated to driving our SBS values programme documentation, resources and parent info
- Display our values around the school to engage whanau



Curriculum Akoranga- Measurement Framework

INITIATIVE	KEY OUTCOME MEASURES	BASELINE MEASURES	ENDPOINT MEASURES	SUCCESS
1. To continue with evidenced based teaching practices to ensure consistency across classes as we grow:	Little Learners Love Literacy consistent across all classes Yr 0 - 3 - PLD Sessions with Liz Kane Literacy	Observation Trent Morley to work with teachers for agreed implementation plan inc assessment	Observation Classroom Visits	All kaiako teaching LLLL according to the SBS plan
	Writer's Toolbox consistent across all classes Yr 3 - 6 (inc Yr 3/4) - PLD Sessions facilitated by Writer's Toolbox	Observation Kyle Port to work with teachers for agreed implementation plan	Observation Classroom Visits	All kaiako using Writer's Toolbox according to the SBS plan
	Updates to the Prime Maths Programme are consistently implemented across the school	Observation. Students placed on the right books, at their level. Lessons paced appropriately.	Observation Classroom Visits	All kaiako teaching Prime Maths according to the SBS plan
2. To embed the refresh of the NZ Curriculum into planning & assessment	Teachers develop a deep understanding of the revised curriculum	PLD MOE Teacher Only Days Facilitators if necessary	Observation Classroom Visits Team meetings	Teachers feel confident they understand the changes to & requirements of, the curriculum



Curriculum Akoranga - Measurement Framework

INITIATIVE	KEY OUTCOME MEASURES	BASELINE MEASURES	ENDPOINT MEASURES	SUCCESS
3. To continue to deepen our understanding of Te Āo me Tikanga Māori	Develop expectations AND protocols around when the whole school would carry our powhiri/mihi whakatau	Observation	Observation	Tamariki valuing and working towards and demonstrating Manaakitanga
	Team Leaders attend the MAC Conference to broaden understanding across the staff	MAC Conference is budgeted for and supported by the Board	Team Leaders attend the Conference	Te Āo me Tikanga Māori becomes less "top down" & is better supported at Team level
	Set expectations of all tamariki learning specific school-wide waiata and kapahaka (even via videos) to support powhiri and mihi whakatau	Observation	Observation	All staff have an understanding of how we welcome new whānau - it becomes our 'norm'
	Kaiako working with M.A.C facilitator to unpack Te Whare Tapu o te Ngākau Māori and to develop condensed and simplified progressions	Survey Kaiako	Observation	Tamariki will have a clear understanding that at Pāterangi we have progressions of dispositions we value and the steps they need to work towards
	The key principles and learnings from Te Whare Tapu o te Ngākau Māori in their planning	Observation	Observation Classroom Visits	to self improvement.



Environment Taiao - Measurement Framework

INITIATIVE	KEY OUTCOME MEASURES	BASELINE MEASURES	ENDPOINT MEASURES	SUCCESS
1. To ensure that all buildings are safe, welcoming environments in which to work & learn	Air quality testing completed in all buildings & planning ahead for remediation as required	Testing & results	Remediation as required	All buildings healthy spaces in which to work and learn
	10YPP plan developed ready for implementation July 2024	To work with Hamish Driver from Watershed to complete building assessments & develop new 10YPP	New 10YPP submitted to the MOE	New 10YPP plan underway, keeping our buildings & facilities to a safe standard
	Fire System fixed and BWOF updated	MOE & LM Consulting to agree on solution & confirm this with Council.	Remediation or replacement as per Council recommendations completed	Working Fire System in place. BWOF updated.
2. To oversee grant funded bike track installation	To work with Trailpro to confirm design, placement, and construction of the bike track as per grant	Design, and location of Pump Track is within budget and fit for purpose	Bike track is installed as per agreed plan	SBS kids are using our pump track



Environment Taiao - Measurement Framework

INITIATIVE	KEY OUTCOME MEASURES	BASELINE MEASURES	ENDPOINT MEASURES	SUCCESS
3. To ensure that facilities reflect our growing roll	We have enough teaching spaces for New Entrant Classes in 2024	Agreed timeline for installation of new teaching spaces.	Teaching spaces installed.	Our New Entrants are in their new classrooms.
	We have enough teaching spaces for 2025 & beyond.	Agreed timeline for installation of new teaching spaces to cater for our roll in 2025 & beyond	Teaching spaces installed.	We have enough room in the school to cater for new classes as needed
	Our non-teaching facilities (Hall, Library, Breakout Spaces etc) are able to cater for our growing roll.	MOE to agree that our current non teaching spaces are fit for purpose as we grow	Timeline for installation of new/upgraded non teaching spaces	We have enough non teaching spaces to cater for our growing roll
4. To provide a local curriculum where all students are involved in environmental education around the school and wider community	SBS to continue to be a "Trees for Survival" school - Nicki to oversee	Healthy plants grown in the growing unit.	Year 4 planting day. Senior School Planting Day SBS planting on Northern boundary.	Healthy trees are grown and planted.



Environment Taiao - Measurement Framework

INITIATIVE

5. To ensure SBS sustains good environmental practices

KEY OUTCOME MEASURES

Our school utilises composting, recycling and gardening systems so students accept that as their "norm" - Tracey to oversee

BASELINE MEASURES

Composting & recycling reviewed & works for all staff.
Review of how the vege gardens are used to inform new plans.

ENDPOINT MEASURES

Composting & gardening systems running smoothly.
Vege gardens in use.

SUCCESS

Students compost & recycle without being prompted.

Vege gardens utilised.



Relationships Whanaungatanga - Measurement Framework

INITIATIVE	KEY OUTCOME MEASURES	BASELINE MEASURES	ENDPOINT MEASURES	SUCCESS
1. To continue to grow our relationship with Ngati Manuhiri	SLT to meet with Ngāti Manuhiri to find out what projects we can support them in this year.	SLT to meet with Ngāti Manuhiri in Term 1	We support Ngāti Manuhiri in some of their own projects	Ngāti Manuhiri & SBS develop a mutually beneficial relationship
	Ngāti Manuhiri invited to Whānau Hui	KR to invite Ngāti Manuhiri	Ngāti Manuhiri feel welcomed to attend hui as Mana Whenua	
	Ngāti Manuhiri invited to school events such as Matariki & Prize Giving	KR to invite Ngāti Manuhiri	Ngāti Manuhiri feel welcomed to attend hui as Mana Whenua	
2. To celebrate diversity of cultures in the SBS community	To incorporate a cultural celebration day into our event calendar	A Cultural Celebration Day is held in Term 3 & whānau are encouraged to attend	This event is well supported by whānau and enjoyed by students	Students and whānau see their culture reflected in & celebrated here at SBS
	Our Pasifika families feel a valued part of our school community	Hold a fono to build relationships with our Pasifika families	This event is well supported by whānau who felt comfortable to attend	
	A wider range of cultures are respresented in our Cultural Performance Group	Whānau coming in to assist with the Performance group paid a koha to reflect their time and energy	We are able to have multiple (smaller) performances & more cultures represented at our End of Year events.	



Relationships Whanaungatanga - Measurement Framework

INITIATIVE	KEY OUTCOME MEASURES	BASELINE MEASURES	ENDPOINT MEASURES	SUCCESS
3. To provide a variety of ways to connect with the community to share information, especially on learning, pedagogy, parenting & mental health	Information evenings are offered which meet the needs of our community	Survey whānau to find out what they would like to attend	Presenters offer sessions (1 or 2) to meet the needs of whānau	Whānau feel a sense of community and partnership in their tamariki's education
	Information events are held to build understanding of teaching & learning programmes here at SBS & how whānau can support at home	Literacy Information Evening planned in Term I focussed on LLLL & Writer's Toolbox & Maths Evening later in the year.	Evenings are well attended & include a mix of information & practical tips	
4. To ensure that reporting of students progress is clear and accessible	Progress is reported to whānau in a way that is meaningful & accessible to them.	Information from the hui, fono & survey will be considered in the reporting process	Reporting to whānau (Especially kanohi ki te kanohi, face to face), is done in a method that reflects feedback gathered.	Whānau feel informed of their child's progress in a way they can best engage with & understand



Culture Ahurea - Measurement Framework

INITIATIVE	KEY OUTCOME MEASURES	BASELINE MEASURES	ENDPOINT MEASURES	SUCCESS
1. To ensure SBS students are provided with appropriate support & enrichment programmes	Teacher Aides are funded above our MOE allocation to support students with both learning & behavioural needs	Our budget for Teacher Aides exceeds targetted MOE learning support	Observation of students requiring extra support	Students with needs outside the range expected at their year level have access to extra support or opportunity.
	An enrichment programme for identified students with special skills and/or passions is Board supported	The Board fund a teacher for 0.2 ftte to provide enrichment programmes	Enrichment programmes are provided at a level above standard classroom practice	
teachers to deliberately & intentionally build a resilience &	Experts provide our teachers with information which we can apply to our context to develop a consistent programme and language across the school	Kylie Ryan PLD with staff, students and also whānau, focussed on anxiety	Strategies for supporting students & whānau are built into a school wide	Teachers feel better equipped to support both students and whānau with
		Bridget Farmiloe PLD with staff students and also whānau, focussed on coping with loss (separation or death)		resilience and wellbeing
3. To actively celebrate our values in action more widely	SBS Living Values consistent across classes and communicated clearly to whānau	WSL position created to establish conistency of understand & delivery. Values Assembly reviewed. Ideas refreshed for parent communication	Classroom Observation Team Meetings	Both students & teachers can clearly demonstrate their understanding of our values programme.



Culture Ahurea - Measurement Framework

INITIATIVE

4. To support art work around the school to reflect our values and support parents & whānau

KEY OUTCOME MEASURES

Artwork which shares and reinforces our values programme is visible around the school

BASELINE MEASURES

The Board budget for the production of this in a professional capacity.

ENDPOINT MEASURES

Values art work is visible around the school.
Student work reflecting our values is present around the school and in whānau communication

SUCCESS

Whānau understand "the process of living our values" as opposed to just understanding the values themselves