

Living out Te Tiriti o Waitangi in your Early Childhood Centre, Part One



Meet for a 1-day course to sharpen your professional skills and evolve your professional practices, with Bronwen Olds.

The sessions will cover:

- developing an understanding of Te Tiriti o Waitangi and other educational frameworks that provide a foundation for Te Ao Māori in your Early Childhood Centre.
- developing whakaaro Māori in your Centre with a key focus on strengthening whanaungatanga with children, families, and staff.
- building your capacity for authentic and regular use of Te Reo Māori me ōna Tikanga in your Centre.

Course Bookings

I can offer this course in your own centre or, for teacher groups under 12 teachers I can offer this course in my venue. Costs vary depending on numbers of participants. For further details about booking and costs please ring me or email me.

Contact bronwen.olds@gmail.com or ring 0276778052.

FEEDBACK FROM PAST PARTICIPANTS

- *Content we great and helpful- easy and practical ideas, very insightful and well presented. Helped me understand where I stand as an immigrant and citizen of NZ and also my role in implementing a bicultural curriculum.*
- *I enjoyed the collaborative and relaxed nature of the PD and found you approachable and responsive.*
- *I have lived in NZ for 10 years and heard lots about the Treaty, but your workshops have helped me understand the relevance and the gravity of it for Maori.*
- *Great resources that I will access for my teaching. Excited to take ideas back to Centre*
- *It was great that an environment of respect was created. Everyone was comfortable and confident to share, and opinions were received openly.*
- *Your manner is fun and joyful and so welcoming. Thoroughly appreciated all your work, knowledge and the wonderful meals. I go back brave to make some changes*



My kaupapa/philosophy

Hutia te rito te Harakeke e.
Kei hea ke te komako e ko?
Ki mai ki ahau he aha te mea?
Nui o te ao maku e ki atu.
He Tangata, he Tangata, he Tangata.

If you cut the centre (te Rito) out of the flax bush (harakeke), there will be nowhere for the bellbird to sing. What is the most important thing in the world? It is people, people, people.



This Whakatauki expresses the essence of my work. I believe that partnerships between children whanau/ families and teachers are essential for our tamariki. Learning and education are transformative and in the process of transformation both the individual and the world are transformed.



My Background

I am the parent of 4 children. My vocation is focused on creating and supporting just and respectful relationships. This focuses on partnerships between children, parents, educators, and between Māori and Tauīwi/Pakeha.

I have worked professionally for over 30 years supporting children and young people's development in community, educational and government organisations. This has included lecturing at Victoria University in Early Childhood Education for 15 years. My recent work has focused on the Professional Development for people working in Early Childhood sector and designing and delivering tailored learning for community organisations. I have a Masters of Social Science First class Hons (Waikato), the NZ Playcentre Federation Certificate and am a trained leader in Incredible Years (a research based parenting course). I am an honorary life member of the Hutt Playcentre Association and the President of the Wellington Branch of OMEP (an international early childhood association).