

WINTER NEWSLETTER

The **learning**
place 

Kia ora

Let the chill settle in,
With winter here and term 2
almost done, we head into the
last stretch of the year.

LUNCH-BOX OF LOOT Question!

Second Question for 2018.

What six on-line courses do we offer this year?

Email Answers to: courses@thelearningplace.co.nz



Congratulations to
Lunch-box of Loot Autumn
Winner!!!

Haami Cassidy

From Christchurch Adventist School

From the Academic Manager

For many of you the only people you would have met from The Learning Place are our trainers. Behind these fabulous people is our wonderful academic team, at Head Office, who carry out day-to-day tasks that need to be completed before and after courses, as part of our quality assurance processes.

Throughout the first six months of this year the academic team have edited all assessments, to ensure we are using the latest version numbers and meeting all of the evidence requirements for each Unit Standard on offer. All of our assessments have then

been pre moderated by the relevant standard setting body, who approve the assessments for use.

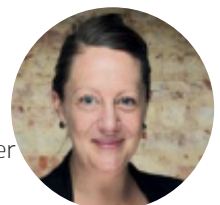
In this time we have also sent post moderation to the following Industry Training Organisations; NZQA, ServiceIQ, Skills Org and Competenz. We have passed all of our post moderation with flying colours, with our assessment content, student work and marking of assessments meeting the standard requirements.

During the remaining six months of 2018 the academic

team will be working on course creation. We have sent a survey out asking you what courses you would like to see in our prospectus in 2019. If you have misplaced our email or did not receive it, please enter the following link into your web browser <http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/TLP2019>.

We look forward to hearing your thoughts

Erin Thomson
Academic Manager



“ Strive not to be a success, but rather to be of value”

Albert Einstein

From the Director

Kia ora katoa

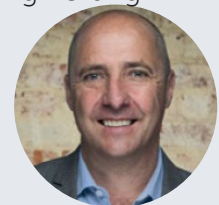
It has been a very busy Term 2 for us at The Learning Place. Further development has occurred on courses with our Internal Academic Review process refining and improving how we share knowledge with our students. You will have received a survey this term on your thoughts around new courses we can add. If you have any further thoughts flick us an email to courses@thelearningplace.co.nz. Uptake of our online courses has been strong in particular the work placement ones such as Café Food and Beverage. We welcome James Froad back as a Kaiako. James has worked with us for the last three years as a contractor and is now a full time team member. James has extensive tertiary training expe-

rience and specialises in hospitality training. You will have no doubt had contact with Roxanne who has worked previously in the Academic Department and is now sharing her skills in marketing of courses and liaising with schools.

We have been so busy I have been out training as well. I had a wonderful experience in Kaitaia delivering a Life Skills course to some wonderful students at Te Rangi Aniwanuiwa Kura. Sorry if my mihi whakatau was a bit rusty!

Stay warm, stay dry and remember the 21st of June is the shortest day, it just gets brighter from here.

Nga mihi Piet
Director



School Liaison:

Due to the high demand from schools I have been employed to help with school enquiries and book-ing of courses. I have been in New Zealand for two years, originally from South Africa, and this new venture with my family (2 year old son & hus-band) has been nothing short of amazing. Previously I worked for a Tertiary College in South Africa, specializing in Health & Skincare and I have a background in sales as well as

lecturing. I had the privilege of being invited to the Northland Cate Expo in June, it was fabulous being able to put faces to names and getting to know some of you. I look forward to the possibility of getting to meet you all through out the year.

Bye for now, Roxanne
School Liaison



Ministerial Review of NCEA

The Ministry of Education is conducting a long overdue review of NCEA. The review has identified six "Big Opportunities" the Ministerial Advisory Group want to explore. Of the six we have identified two important ones that connect with the type of work we all engage with our students. The first is ensuring NCEA Levels 2 and 3 support good connections beyond schooling. Finally there is the realisation that the 70% of students who do not go into tertiary training immediately after school will need work place and life skills to enable future engagement and success. This may translate into greater resourcing of STAR and

Gateway and more intensive integration of vocational pathways into the curriculum. The other opportunity is making it easier for teachers, schools and kura to refocus on learning. Credit attainment can tend to be the focused outcome, rather than the acquisition of knowledge. Hopefully this new approach will prioritise courses with deep learning, which helps learners develop powerful knowledge, skills capabilities, and attitudes.

We welcome the review of NCEA and as a provider have made a submission to the Ministry, based around the views above on the conversation.education.govt.nz website. Have your say about the future of NCEA on the website.