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I have been teaching since 1998. I have taught all throughout the primary school range from year 8 to new entrants. I just love teaching and love being at Birchville School. I really enjoy teaching new entrants as it is a really special time for our tamariki and their Whānau!

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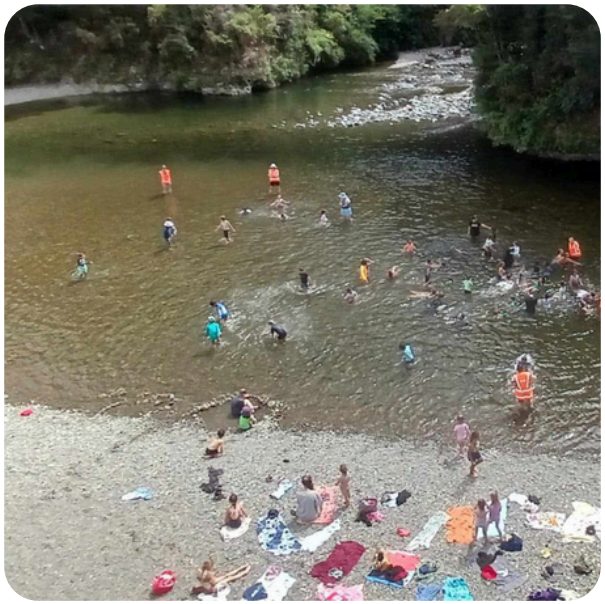

# BIRCHVILLE SCHOOL

Nau mai, haere mai
Welcome

**Learn to Love. Love to Learn.**
**Ako ki te Aroha Aroha ki te ako.**

# About Us

Birchville School officially opened in 1978. We have 4 large learning space's, allowing flexibility to suit our students needs. We have an amazing playground and  a fabulous outdoor learning area. Our school values are built on our **GEMS- Growth, Empathy, Mana and Self-Belief.** We work closely with our amazing community to provide learning opportunities that reflect the uniqueness of our kura

New Entrant/ Year 1 Learning Space

We are very lucky to have a large space! We have a whare ako, to help us focus and learn, a learning through play area to help us practice social learning and a ruma rangimarie, a quiet space.

# Our Programme

Ready for Learning

R4L helps us ensure our students have strong foundational skills to support their life time of learning. We focus on the skills of movement, seeing, speaking, hearing and print concepts.

Learning through play

Brought about from the Te Whariki curriculum from early childhood, and is interwoven it into Birchville School. Students enjoy the benefits of purposeful learning through play as well as guided sessions.

Tinana Wā tākaro

As movement is a R4L skill, we are lucky to be able have student interest based physical education. Student choose from a variety of equipment to get their bodies moving and increase their gross and fine motorskills and cooperation.

# SCHOOL VISITS

Your child will receive 3 visits, if you feel like you need more, this can be arranged.  These visits include a morning snack time and morning tea, so please bring a snack and a drink bottle, and a sun hat in terms 1 and 4.

We have school visits on Wednesdays from 9am until 11:40am for the first 2 visit, and 9am until 1pm for the 3rd visit.

We request that whānau stay from 9-10, to meet with the class teacher. Each week we will cover a different aspect of the class programme with time for questions.

Please feel free to come before 9am and enjoy our learning space,  settling your child before the bell will help get them ready to start their learning journey.