

## Supporting school libraries

Keen teachers and librarians published **225 reviews** on The School Library to help others curate their own school libraries.



## Shouting about our writers

**12 new Writers Files**, profiling amazing Aotearoa creatives, were compiled for our website: and we continued to maintain the **existing 700+ files**.



## Delivering powerful Pānui

Slam poet **Te Kahu Rolleston** delivered our annual **Pānui** at the National Library, sharing his **Tukanga Ako** (teaching practice) with other educators for the very first time.

*“Te Kahu is a powerhouse: his kōrero lights the way for others to feel safe and empowered in their creative journeys..”*

PĀNUI ATTENDEE



## Resourcing schools to love reading

Our brand new **Reading Resource Kete** went live: a resource for educators to help **grow a reading culture** in their school or kura.



We deliver programmes that incentivise reading and writing in schools and communities and champion New Zealand storytelling in all its forms.

We increase exposure to Aotearoa's writers, illustrators, and stories, honouring Te Tiriti o Waitangi by amplifying voices of te ao Māori and the use of te reo Māori.

## Back reading in Aotearoa

Help our community of readers and writers grow by **becoming a Read NZ Te Pou Muramura member**.

We offer memberships for individuals, corporates, and schools. You'll enable us to **keep delivering impactful programmes, resources and campaigns** for thousands of Kiwis, transforming lives through reading: and you'll access some bonus **supporter perks** like our special membership pack.

[read-nz.org/membership](https://read-nz.org/membership)



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## 2024 Impact Statement



# Our kaupapa

**Reading makes life better.** We exist to promote the joy of reading and the diversity and excitement of homegrown literature to everyone in Aotearoa New Zealand, growing generations of readers.

Reading has been proven to improve social, cultural, well-being and economic outcomes. We create opportunities for everyone in Aotearoa to share in these transformational benefits.

We run campaigns to encourage New Zealanders to read; research our reading habits and barriers to reading; and advocate for the importance of reading on a national level.



Emele Ugavule talks creativity with ākonga at Ōtaki College

## Transforming tamariki

Through Writers in Schools we reached **55,141** tamariki and rangatahi with **338** transformational visits from **76** authors and illustrators. **29%** of these visits were to high EQI (equity index) schools.



## Keeping teens hooked on books

We published **39** new keen teens' **reviews of NZ authored books** on our website though **Hooked on NZ Books**.



## Challenging school staff to read more



Our second Teachers Reading Challenge was a hit, with **1,176 school staff** participating from **131 schools** and over three million pages read, including **568,196 from Aotearoa NZ books**.

## Growing Māori and Pasifika kaituhi

With funding support from the **Mātātuhi Foundation** we delivered our pilot week-long **Pōkai Tuhi wānanga** in Ōtaki, honing the skills of **eight Māori and Pasifika authors** who made **16 school visits** to over **1,819 ākonga**.

*"I got so much out of the week, and although for me it was challenging at times, I'm so glad I accepted that challenge."*

PARTICIPANT



Miriama Kamo reads The Stolen Stars of Matariki for NZSO Storytime

## Supporting the sector

We partnered up with **Wellington City Libraries** and the **National Library of New Zealand** on **ComicFest's 10th birthday**, **Te Awhi Rito Reading Ambassador**, **New Zealand Symphony Orchestra**, our pals at **Booksellers Aotearoa**, and more!

# Ngā mihi nui

These amazing organisations enable our mahi:



The community trusts who support Writers in Schools in their regions