



Report to Cognition Education Trust

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The Centre for Arts and Social Transformation deeply appreciate the generous gift to support our work with Te Rito Toi. It was a delight to host Raewyn Stone and Pāora Puru from the Trust at the launch of both the research report and the revamped Te Rito Toi site. The research report *Seeding Possibilities with the Arts* is available on [Te Rito Toi website](#).

The research we undertook in 8 schools provide us with a rich understanding of the manner in which Te Rito Toi was used last year after lockdowns and also how it might be used post any crisis. We are delighted that the Associate Minister of Education, the Honourable Jan Tinetti has followed up her public commitment at the launch to progress this work and we look forward to a further meeting with her this month.

The changes to the site based on our research has strengthened and enriched the possibilities for teachers to engage with wellbeing and the arts post crisis. We were happy to also work with Chelmer Limited who helped with some budget shortfall with our video production work. We have been successful in disseminating the research through academic channels, with one article already published and a further two in review. Te Rito Toi has been further highlighted in the [Education Gazette](#), the [Ako Journal](#), and will feature in an extended interview on Radio New Zealand “Nine to Noon” on August 23rd.

Thank you so much for partnering with us on this project. We believe the work we have done will make significant differences to schools post crisis.

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Cognition Education Trust's support was acknowledged in the following ways:

- In the opening pages of the Research Report - *Seeding Possibilities with the Arts: Te Rito Toi in Schools during COVID-19*
- In the speeches at the Launch of Te Rito Toi at Sylvia Park School on 2 July 2021, with Raewyn Stone and Pāora Puru in attendance
- On the Te Rito Toi website, as a financial supporter on the home page, and under the [‘About – Partners’](#) section
- On the Centre for Arts and Social Transformation website, in the [Community and Partners](#) section
- In the Faculty of Education and Social Work newsletter, 9 July 2021, in the ‘Featured News’ section with a story on [‘Helping Children Make Sense of Disaster’](#)
- In the five academic publications arising as a result of the research

Pending acknowledgements:

- We hope to acknowledge Cognition Education Trust's support on Radio New Zealand “Nine to Noon” show, when Professor Peter O’Connor and Dagmar Dyck, Acting Principal of Sylvia Park School are interviewed on August 23rd
- We hope to acknowledge Cognition Education Trust's support in the University of Auckland ‘Donor e-news’ – a publication circulated by email a few times a year to University supporters with stories that showcase how important philanthropy is, and what the University is able to achieve thanks to our generous donors