



# CATE

Careers and Transition  
Education Association NZ Inc.

## Letter from the President, March 2020

Napier seems a long time ago and I know everyone is busy around the country. At my school, numbers are up and I think this is because students see value in the opportunities that we offer in the education to employment space. This means that we do positive work but we are under pressure. I urge you to have your say on our Ratio and Remuneration Survey. This is a fairly quick survey which we released after some strong views were expressed at conference. We support much of what was said but without a good return, the survey is not credible for advocacy purposes. You can complete the survey here:

<https://forms.gle/p9r6x1WssJSbnF4k9>

Our Kaiārahi Leigh has been very busy since school started back. Bearing in mind that her role this year is to survey the lie of the land, she has been travelling around the place, meeting lots of people and seeing what is going on. Leigh frequently posts on our Facebook Page and writes a comprehensive monthly newsletter. Leigh is looking for:

- Feedback she can take to a meeting with 'Sorted' (financial literacy)
- Ideas for future regional workshops
- Any input for ongoing meetings with TEC

Leigh can be contacted at [kaiarahi@catenz.org](mailto:kaiarahi@catenz.org)

We signalled our intention to upgrade the CATE website at conference. Unfortunately, this is a beast that has grown as some of Leigh's work has created a requirement for features and capability that we had not thought of before. I apologise for over-promising and seek to assure you that we are working to get this right and ready to launch as soon as possible.

At Exec, we took some suggestions from Treasurer John about best governance practice with regard to financials. From now on, we are going to request that regions send their annual financial paperwork to John, [treasurer@catenz.org](mailto:treasurer@catenz.org) following the regional AGM. Also, we are investigating a move to Xero and we will provide more information to regional treasurers soon.

We bid farewell to Northland's Blue Newport from Exec at the March meeting. Blue has been a stalwart for CATE for many years. Thank you for your service Blue. The only other Exec member to depart during my time as president has been Brigid More from Southland. Brigid departed between executive meetings but I would also like to acknowledge her service to our organisation.

Ngā mihi

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'W. Foy', with a large, stylized loop at the bottom.

Warwick Foy  
CATE President