

# SPONSORS AND SUPPORTERS NEWSLETTER

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Supporting the well-being of children

## Merry Christmas and *Thank you* for your support

### Kia koutou, messages to our sponsors and supporters

Welcome to our last newsletter for 2021. Our mission is to *Support the Wellbeing of Children* and we would like to acknowledge every person, group and organisation who have supported us this past year. We experienced extraordinary challenges but despite this we have come together and supported each other. These commitments enabled us to care for many children and whānau in our community.

We would like to start by thanking Craig Barrett (pictured right) Director at Bakertilly Staples Rodway, Hamilton. Craig supports Tui Trust by sponsoring Mandeep Sidhu (Advisor, Bakertilly Staples Rodway) to manage our financial accounts, GST reconciliations, EOY, bank statements and ensures we meet our legal obligations. This is a massive undertaking—thank you Craig for your support. Knowing that you are taking care of the financial arm of the Trusts' business means we don't have to worry and we can get on with the job. We held our AGM in September 2021—our Annual Report can be found [here](#)



Thank you again to Trust Waikato and the Hamilton City Council for grants which support our administrator and operations which includes web-site/social upgrades, whānau and sponsor communications and research. Our reach continues to grow and we couldn't do this without your support—thank you!

Thank you Dave Cowley, Shelley Helpin and the team at WEL Energy Trust for your project and technology sponsorship, we are looking forward to 2022 and the freedoms which will allow us to co-ordinate

our Digital Technology Project with the children at Moko Club.

To D.V. Bryant Trust and The Ministry for Social Development who tirelessly support our early childhood education projects we thank both organisations for your continued support with sponsorship for Moko Club children and whānau.

### PwC sponsors Moko Club Xmas for the 7th Year in a Row!

We would like to thank Jan Gatley and Logan King, PwC NZ Hamilton for sponsoring the Moko Club Huntly Christmas party for the seventh year in a row! PwC Hamilton employees purchase personalised Xmas gifts, wrapped and named for every child at Moko Club and hamper gifts for each family. On behalf of Moko Club, tēnā rawa koe me koutou katoa, thank you very much.

### Looking Forward to 2022

In 2022 we will collaborate with charities with similar strategic plans as ourselves and align how we could team-up to remain sustainable and effective. We will continue to support the well-being of children to disrupt the cycle of inter-generational disadvantage. Our mission to ensure that all children have access to quality education remains ongoing. The challenge for Tui Trust in 2022 and beyond will be ensuring a sustainable funding model to enable the ongoing delivery of our community based projects. We look forward to working hard on our goals planned for next year.

*from the Tui Trust team, Piki Knap, Fonteyn Moses-Te Kani, Fran Mitchell, Elsa Wrathall, Mandeep Sidhu and Lee Major, we wish you a very Merry Christmas and a safe, peaceful summer break.*

Thank you to our Major Sponsors 2021



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## Launch of School Start First Impressions North Waikato

by Nikki de la Rosa - General Manager SSFI October 2021

It is with great pleasure that we announce the launch of School Start First Impressions North Waikato, a collaboration between Tui Trust in Hamilton and School Start First Impressions Bombay, Auckland. In April 2015 Jane and Graeme Thomas with the support of fellow trustee Rae Blackwood recognised a need in the Franklin Auckland community to support tamariki who were starting their school journey and living in a home where extreme financial poverty was experienced.

Their call to action was to start this child centric project to reduce the financial barrier faced by many tamariki starting school. Providing them with a celebration 5 KitBox and all the necessary items for a child to start school including a uniform, stationery and contribution to a school donation with lots of

other goodies. 2021 has seen over 2,100 5 KitBoxes gifted in South Auckland and Waikato. Partnering with Tui Trust was a natural match for School Start First Impressions as our shared values and care for tamariki transitioning to school, with wrap around support, was our clear connection.

Tui Trust approached School Start First Impressions and become a referral organisation during 2017 and in 2021 we instigated a pilot project that has now supported 27 tamariki who have started school in the Waikato. The designated areas of support for this *School Start First Impressions North Waikato Project* is now extended to include Pokeno, Tuakau, Mercer, Meremere, Port Waikato, Te Kauwhata with a goal for sustainable growth to other parts of the North Waikato and Hamilton. ■



SSFI Xmas Party, from left Dona, Kallua (Family Start) Jane Thomas, Nikki de la Rosa (SSFI) & Lee Major (Tui Trust)

## We welcome new members to help tackle poverty that affects education

by Lee Major, Tui Trust Administrator, September 2021

Tui Trust has recently appointed a new Board Member and an Associate Manager to its team to help shape the organisation's future direction towards supporting whānau to ensure all children have access to education. Both Fran and Elsa came to us through PwC On Board—a Board Placement Programme that supports the not-for-profit sector by placing PwC people in governance roles to help build capacity in the sector. Our new members appointed due to their extensive backgrounds in active leadership and their desire to improve social outcomes for children and young people, and their commitment to improve educational, environmental and cultural development to enhance child wellbeing in New Zealand.

Known for her strong skills in analysing and reporting on data and strong strategic thinking we are honoured to welcome our new Board Member Fran Mitchell, Manager at PwC Waikato, Audit & Assurance. Whilst Fran's strength is financial management and analytical skills, we also welcome her experience with large not-for-profits and private equity companies, which offers commercial insight and demonstrates her financial capability. It also brings a network across the region. "I am a proven clear communicator and, as an auditor by profession, I am able to raise a challenge and have seen what best practice policies,

controls and processes looks like," says Fran. Fran has a an amazing network of highly talented professions with a wide range of skill sets to leverage expertise from the PwC network. Combining this with her experience in finance accounting, business strategy and her passion and energy we are honoured to have Fran on our team and looking forward to working together to improve outcomes for low-income families.

Elsa Wrathall, Senior Manager at PwC has over 12 years of financial and management experience and we are delighted to welcome Elsa to our Associate Management team. Elsa has always admired the charities that support and encourage children of New Zealand to learn and grow and is currently a part of the Flying High Charitable Trust. "The opportunity to be able to utilise the skills I have for something purposeful and valuable alongside my empathy and desire to make a difference in children's lives really excites and drives me" says Elsa. From Te Ati Awa iwi in Taranaki she is a member of Manukura Māori Business team, "I am grateful to work in an organisation that actively supports our culture and allows me to work closely with Iwi across New Zealand to promote and improve the wellbeing of future generations through supporting the governance team," says Elsa. We are looking forward to working with Elsa. [full story [here](#)] ■

## Thank you to our partners and sponsors 2021— Merry Christmas!



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