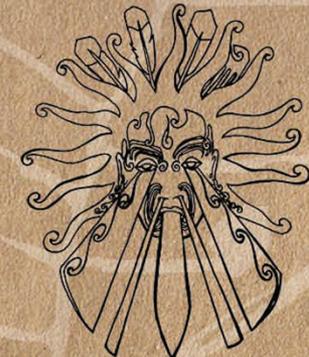
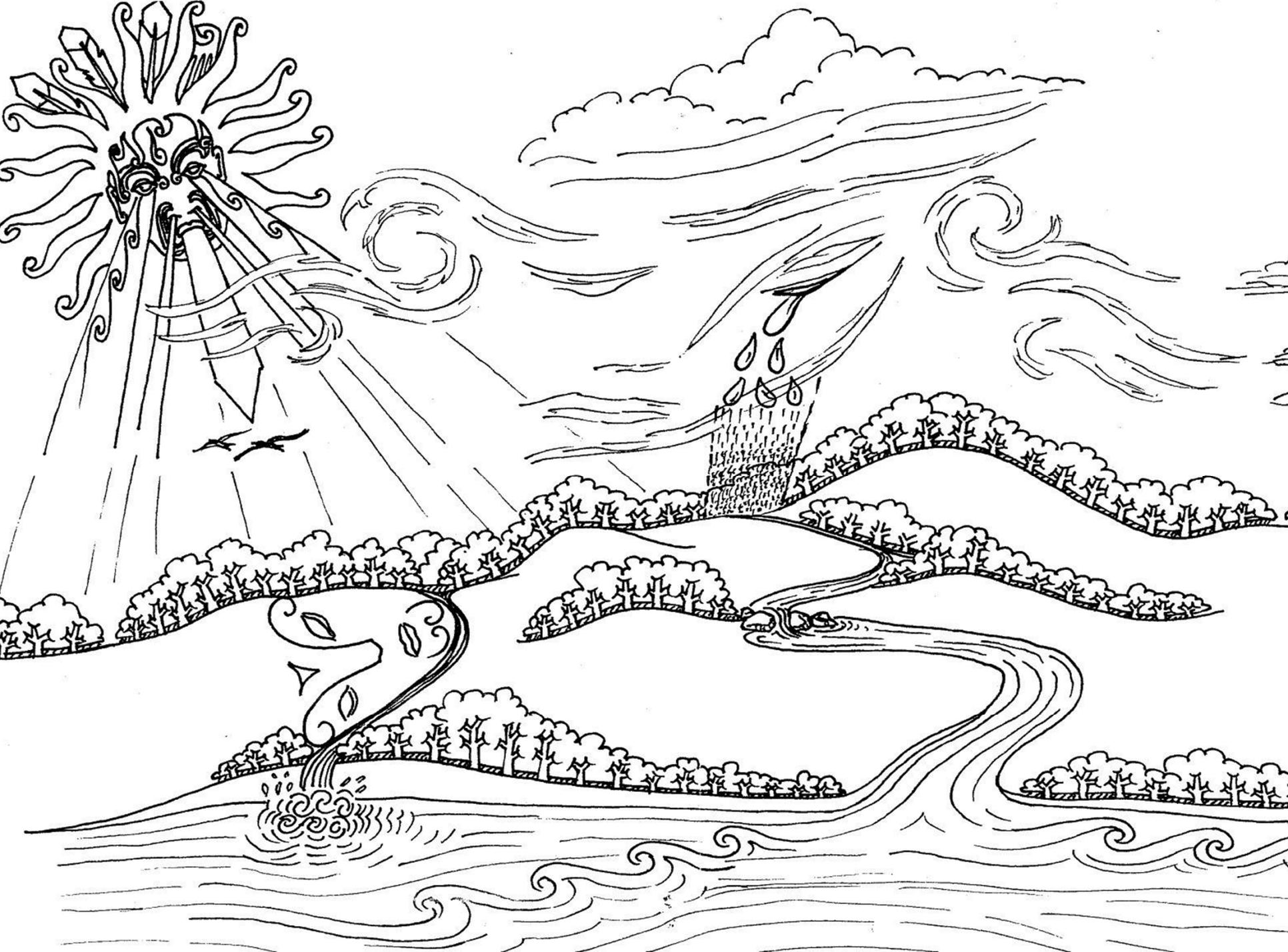


Westland Enviroschools

Zoe Watson, West Coast Regional Coordinator

St Mary's Envirogroup Students





What is Enviroschools?

Enviroschools is a **holistic approach** for the development of connected, resilient and sustainable communities across the motu

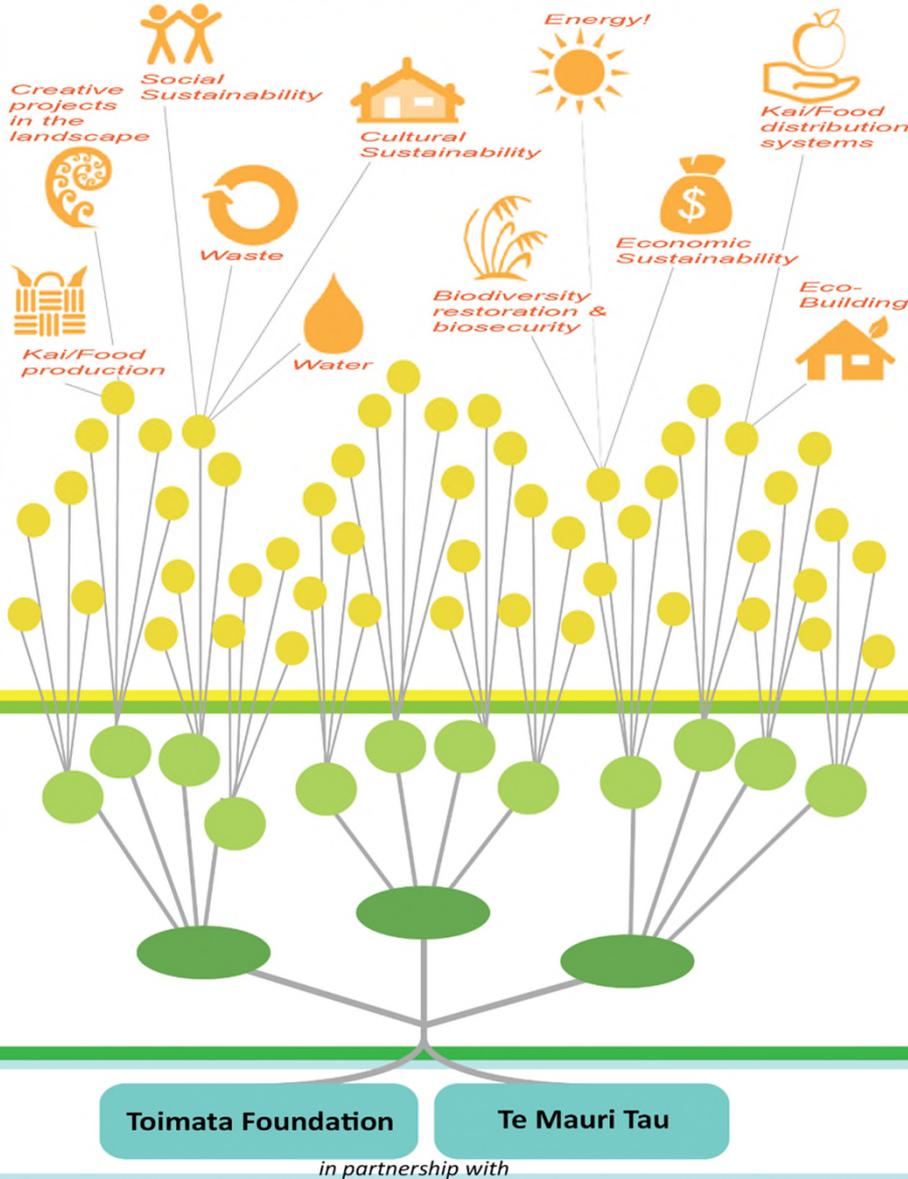
Enviroschools is a **network with significant reach** across our country

Enviroschools is about people **teaching, learning and taking action together**, it is about empowering tamariki and rangatahi to be change makers

Enviroschools came from a community-council partnership and is **designed to meet Local Government outcomes**



Organisational model for the Enviroschools Programme



Tens of thousands of innovative projects and lifestyle changes are happening in schools/centres, households, neighbourhoods, on farms, in local businesses and in all types of ecosystems.

1350 + Enviroschools

12% ECE

42% primary

31% secondary

Active network that share ideas and support each other

140

Facilitators

Mostly employed/funded by Councils or Kindergarten Associations with additional community partners

16 Regional Coordinators

Mostly employed by Regional Councils/Unitary Authorities

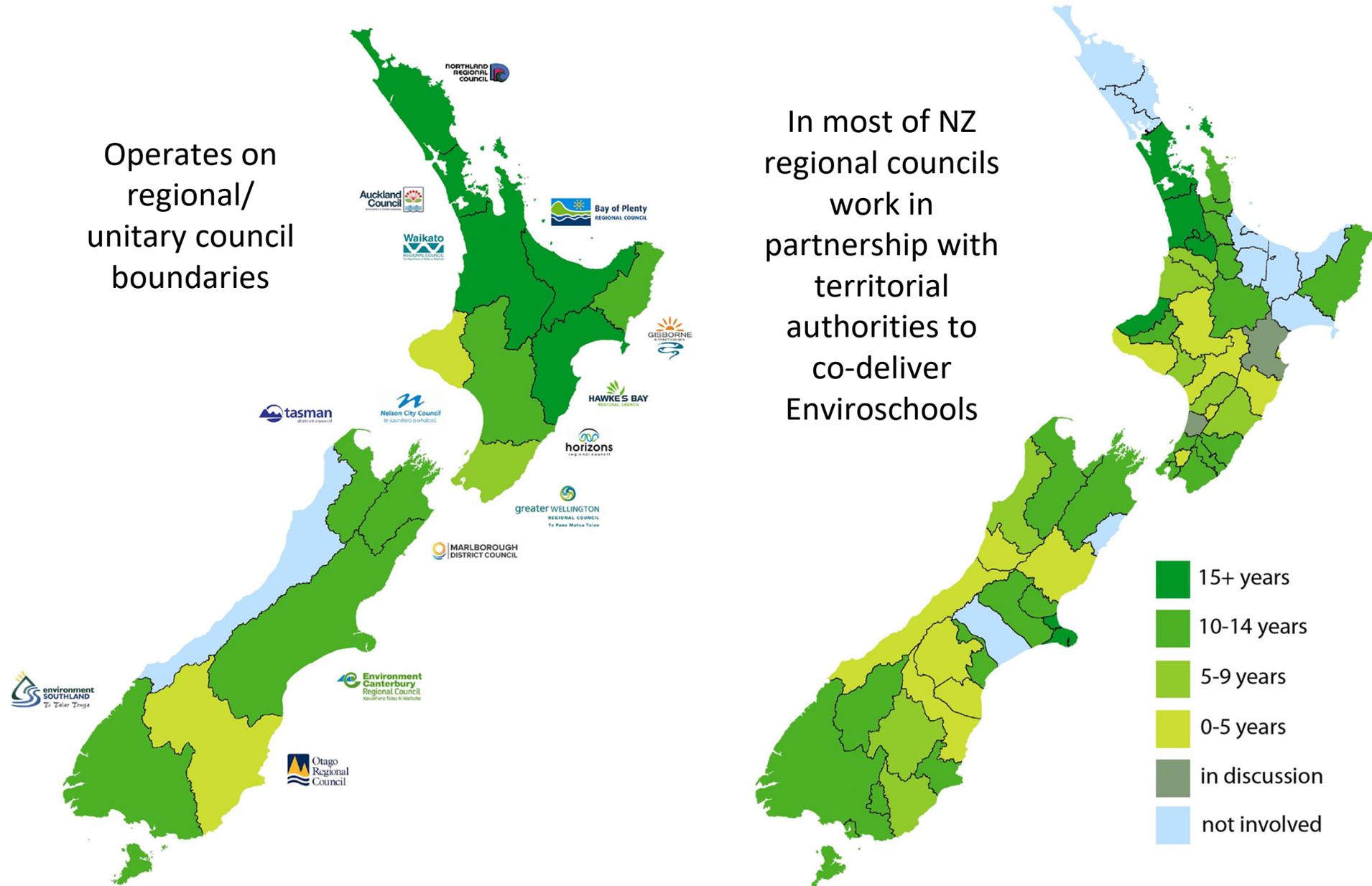
National Hub

Major funder is Ministry for the Environment. Have agreement to 30 June 2022.

Over 80% of councils nationwide are partners

Operates on regional/
unitary council
boundaries

In most of NZ
regional councils
work in
partnership with
territorial
authorities to
co-deliver
Enviroschools



Enviroschools is proven

“Enviroschools is a very high-performing programme and achieves this performance through high levels of systemic support from Toimata Foundation”
Kinnect Group

- 20 year track record
- 5-year research and evaluation programme conducted by external evaluators - two national censuses (2014 & 2017), return on investment analysis and a comprehensive evaluation drawing on multiple sources



All Enviroschools are engaging in a range of sustainability actions

Environmental sustainability actions:



100%
Zero Waste



97%
Kai/food
production



92%
Kai/food
distribution



92%
Creative projects
in the landscape



88%
Biodiversity
and biosecurity



83%
Water health
and conservation



67%
Energy!



63%
Ecological
Building

Cultural, Social and Economic sustainability actions:



99%
Cultural
sustainability



89%
Social
sustainability



75%
Economic
sustainability



Implementation on the West Coast

15

Enviroschools

5

ECE centres

10

Schools

1,300

Tamariki & Students

28% of early childhood

33% of primary schools

25% of composite & other

2 Facilitators



Regional Implementation



Department of
Conservation
Te Papa Atawhai

National Hub - Crown funding

Current Situation in Westland

6

Enviroschools

2

ECE centre

4

Schools

530

Students & Staff

Kokatahi-Kowhitirangi
School

St Mary's School

Kidsfirst Kindergarten

Kaniere School

Harper Park Early

Hokitika School

Learning Centre



Enviroschools in Action – Zero Waste

- Holistic approach to create lasting change...rather than just teaching about recycling
- Focus is on waste avoidance (rethink, refuse, replace, reduce) rather than diversion from landfill (reuse and recycle)
- Practices flow into other settings including the homes of staff and students



Enviroschools in Action – Native Nursery Programme

- 7 established nurseries holding up to 1000 native seedlings
- Students developing skills and knowledge in eco-sourcing seeds, propagation, potting up, planting, and maintenance
- Investing plants in local restoration and planting projects



We now have a resource we can share with the community and educate them on the importance of native planting to sustain our environment.” – Caitlin Reid, Hokitika Primary School

Enviroschools in Action – Sustainable Coastlines

- Not just a beach clean up – survey and audit contributing to national beach litter database
- Extending waste minimisation out into the community
- Focus on linking what waste is created at school and what litter ends up on the beach



Enviroschools in Action – Fish on Drains

- Project initiated in 2015 by Kaniere School
- Reminder, only 'rain down the drain'
- Kaniere School has installed approximately 150 fish around Hokitika town centre and Kaniere



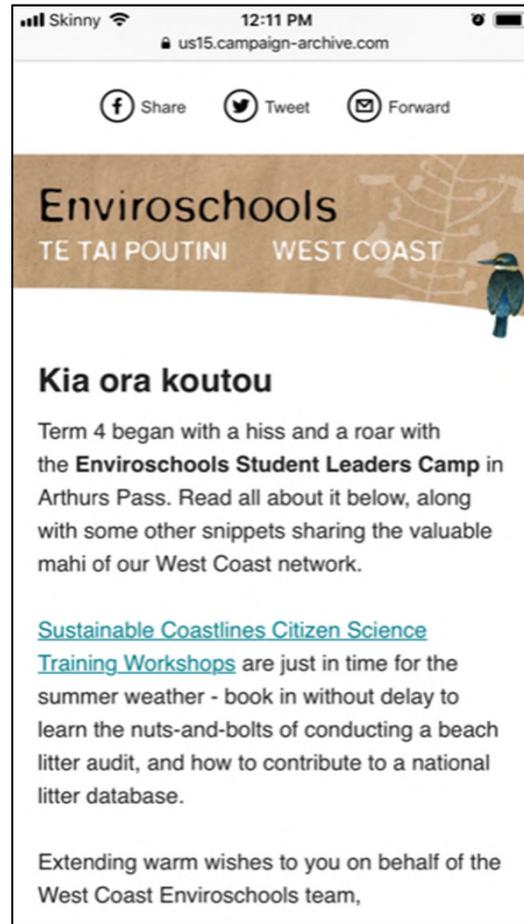
Enviroschools contribution to the WDC Vision

“We work with the people of Westland to grow and protect our communities, our economy and our unique natural environment.”



Comprehensive professional learning opportunities have been delivered with skill. These sessions are highly interactive and demonstrate exemplary practice of technologies. These sessions are highly thought of in the education sector” – Principal, Reefton Area School

Find out more and stay connected



Thank you



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