

# Support parents and whānau to help their children to learn at home

A suggestion for implementing the strategy

'Partner with whānau ' from the Guide:

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## Support learning at home

Strategies to support whānau to support their children's learning at home.

- Meet face-to-face to model particular strategies or make a video to model a particular strategy or approach.
- Create opportunities where students can draw on the expertise and experience of their family/whānau and work together on a project.
- Maintain a class blog or a weekly email to families/whānau, where you share the class focus and encourage them to share resources and ideas.
- Avoid setting up situations where you are encouraging whānau to supervise homework.
- Develop a shared language about learning and achievement with students and their parents and whānau so everyone is on the same page.

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## Share information using digital tools

John Robinson reflects on the value of sharing information using the school SMS and learner e-portfolios.



Video hosted on Vimeo <http://vimeo.com/100662394>

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## Build partnerships with families

School-home partnerships that have a clear focus on Pasifika students' learning, with everyone able to actively contribute, directly benefit Pasifika learners.



Video hosted on Vimeo <http://vimeo.com/120916575>

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Source:

[Pasifika Education Community \(NZ\)](#)

<http://pasifika.tki.org.nz/Media-gallery/Engaging-with-Pasifika-parents-families-communities/Parents-Matter>

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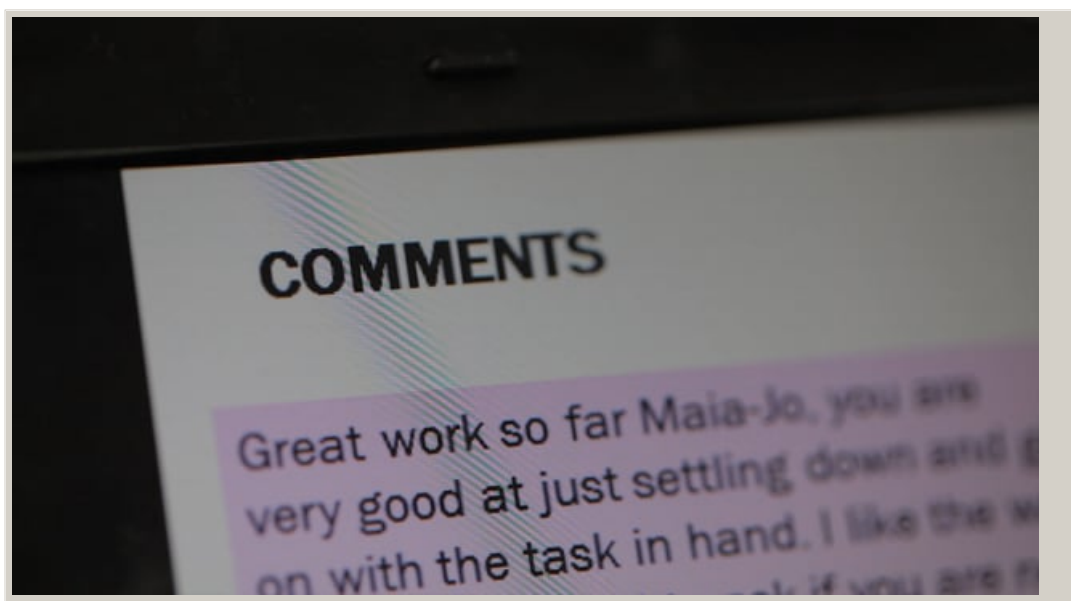
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## Share information with e-portfolios

Parents, students, and teachers comment on the impact of sharing e-portfolios.



Video hosted on Vimeo <http://vimeo.com/91494329>

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[Enabling-e-Learning \(NZ\)](#)

<http://elearning.tki.org.nz/Beyond-the-classroom/Parents-engaging-in-student-learning>

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## Useful resources



### A parents perspective

A parent describes her perspective of the learning environment in her daughter's class and the impact this has had on her daughter's wellbeing and sense of confidence as a learner.

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