

# Support writing

Help students to enjoy writing.

If handwriting is a barrier, add options such as oral storytelling, keyboards and voice typing that allow ākonga to develop deeper writing skills, such as generating language, ordering ideas and paragraph structure.

- ✓ Provide inspiration and language through activities, real life experiences, photos, discussions, images and videos.
- ✓ Provide prompts such as story starters and sentence stems.
- ✓ Use planning tools such as storyboards and brainstorming templates.
- ✓ Offer a variety of handwriting tools such as colours, pen types and surfaces.
- ✓ Offer a variety of supports such as alphabet, word or blends charts and phonics cards.
- ✓ Use checklists so students can self-check their writing. For example content, editing, grammar and quality checklists.
- ✓ Offer keyboards, voice typing and multimedia options when appropriate. This is particularly important for students creating more complex writing compositions and people who have specific difficulties producing handwriting.

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