Learning Maps

A Learning map is a map that explains how we learn, and who we learn from.

It has all the people that help us learn, including our families, our friends, our teachers, and anyone else.

It has skinny arrows and fat arrows to show how much learning we get from the people.

A little bit of learning

A lot of learning

Learning comes in to us, and we give it back

It also has digital devices, if they help us learn. In the last two years there has been a lot of changes to our learning maps.

One of the biggest changes on our learning maps is the direction of the learning arrows. On our last years map the learning arrows were just pointing in, which means that heaps of people were helping us learn but we weren't doing much. This year the learning arrows point both ways which means that we are making more decisions about our learning. We are giving our teacher some information about what we'd like to learn, and it's working.

The learning arrows between our families and us is much bigger now because we share our learning with our families and they help us. Some of our parents come in to our class now and teach us new things like Tokelauan dance, art, movie making, music, dangerous decibels and more.

The learning arrow between us and our friends is much bigger now because we don't just give each other answers, we give strategies instead, and we work together helping each other every day.

Another change is that we have chromebooks in our class so we have more technology in the room which is cool. We share our work on the chromebooks with lots of different people and they give us feedback to help us get better.

In 2012 our scores were below the National Standard, but if you look at our scores this year, they are all at the National Standard - it's a huge improvement for us!

Recently we went to Naenae primary to talk about our learning maps and how learning has changed over the past two years. Everyone was interested in what we said, and now lots of other schools are now getting their kids to do learning maps as well.

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