



Healthy Active Learning

Voice of Tamariki survey – whānau information sheet

Invitation for your tamariki (child/ren) to take part in national physical activity research in primary schools and kura

Your tamariki/child/ren's school has been invited to be part of the 'Voice of Tamariki' (VoT) Survey run by Sport Taranaki. The survey will take place in Term 2 2026. The survey is jointly run by Sport NZ and Sport Taranaki and seeks to understand the sport and physical activity experiences of tamariki (children) at school and kura.

About the survey

The VoT survey helps us understand the physical activity experiences of tamariki from schools and kura across Aotearoa. The survey is open to all schools/kura for tamariki in years 4-8. By listening to their voices, we can gain valuable insights to improve the quality of physical activity experiences for tamariki.

Administering the Survey

We are inviting tamariki to take part in an online survey, which will take around 20 minutes to complete. Surveying will take place within a two-week period in Term 2 2026. Tamariki can complete the survey on a school device/laptop, or on their own device.

The data and data analysis

We will not be asking for identifying personal information. Survey responses will be anonymous. Anonymous survey responses and reports will be accessible by Sport Taranaki, Sport NZ and the Regional Sports Director. Only aggregated data will be reported. A report based on results for the school will be shared with the school and these school-based results may also be shared with the Ministry of Education and other Sport NZ research partners.

Participant's Rights

You and your tamariki/ child/ren are under no obligation to accept this invitation. Should you choose to participate, you and your child/ren have the right to:

- decline to answer any particular question
- withdraw your response at any time prior to completing the survey.
- ask any questions about the survey during participation
- provide information on the understanding that survey responses will be entirely anonymous
- be given access to a summary of the project findings when it is concluded.

Confidentiality

All surveys will be anonymous with no personally identifiable information collected. Data collected will be used for schools and RST information and planning purposes, and Sport NZ's evaluation and research purposes. Reports will be provided to schools, RSTs and Sport NZ. Data

may be shared with Sport NZ research partners (e.g., universities) for the purpose of analysis for Sport NZ's evaluation and research purposes and findings may be presented at conferences and submitted for publication in journals. No publications will reference schools by name. All data/information will be stored in a secure location by Sport NZ and retained in accordance with Sport NZ's data retention policies.

Next Steps

If you have any queries about this research, then please contact:

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If you wish to opt your child/ren out of participation in this survey please email their teacher/kaiako.

We look forward to working with you and your tamariki to learn more about tamariki experiences of physical activity at school/kura.

Ngā mihi nui

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