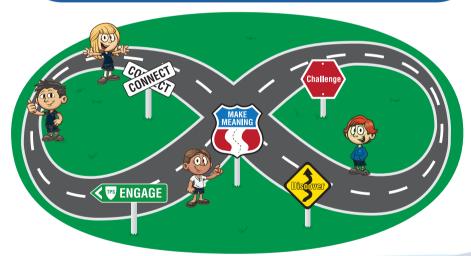
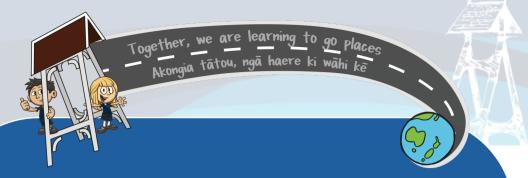
Tōku Ako

What is Tōku Ako?

Tōku Ako translates to "My Learning". It provides a structure which scaffolds the development of Learner Agency. During this time, students learn and practise the skills associated with self-managed learning; working towards leading their own learning. At Tōku Ako time, you will see individual, paired and group work, covering a variety of curriculum areas and learning experiences.







Why is it important?

It provides opportunity for:

- Students to independently practise the skills required to be a self-directed learner; making informed choices that allow students to prioritise, organise, negotiate, compromise and reflect
- Students to support each other and challenge each other during their learning
- Students to feel ownership of their learning and be accountable
- Students to use their key competency skills; developing skills in thinking, contributing, relating to others, self-managing and communicating
- Students to work in a combination of mixed ability groups and ability groups, as well as individual and paired work

Tōku Ako is graduated as it progresses through the school. At junior level it is 80% teacher directed and 20% learner directed, moving to 50:50 in the Middle School, and 80% learner-led in the Senior School. Teachers mainly decide the what (with choices built in) and students choose the where, when and how.