Tākina Te Hau

The winds are sometimes raging, sometimes soft, welcoming and calm, but they teach us to treasure and welcome diversity, uniqueness, and change. They are a metaphor for magic, exuberance, sharing and ideas, and they carry things forward harnessing those winds of change and developing leadership strategies for turbulent times



"everything changes and nothing remains still," you cannot step twice into the same river
because the water is always flowing and
changing

What have been those changes for us as principals?

- Education Policy Shifts
- Technology
- Wellbeing and Inclusion
- Community and Social Expectations
- Workforce Pressures
- Financial and Operational Pressure
- Property
- Crisis Management







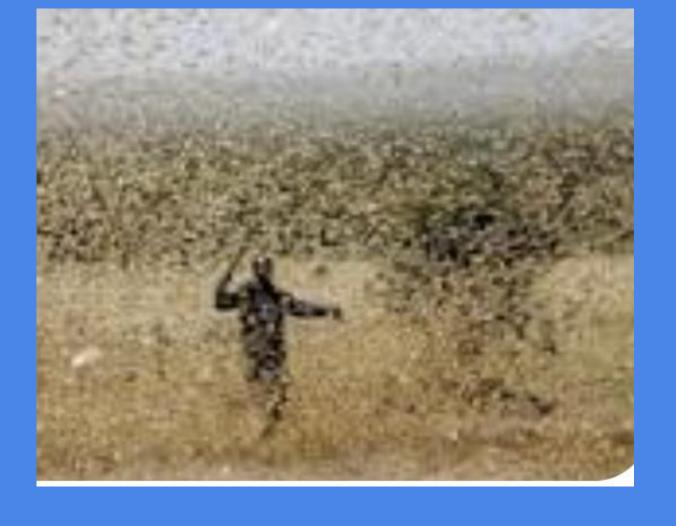












What sort of Leader

- Instructional
- Coaching
- Servant
- Constructivist
- Transactional
- Democratic
- Strategic
- Authoritative

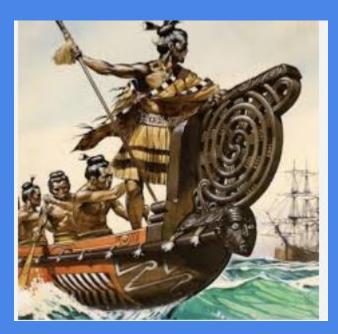
What did I learn about leadership after being a principal for 22 years, and as a leader of CPPA, NZPF and PPCB?

To weather the winds of change you need to be a resilient leader

"The best leaders build resilience not in crisis, but in preparation for it."

James Clear(author of Atomic Habits)

Eye on the Horizon



Strategic Vision and Direction



Evidence





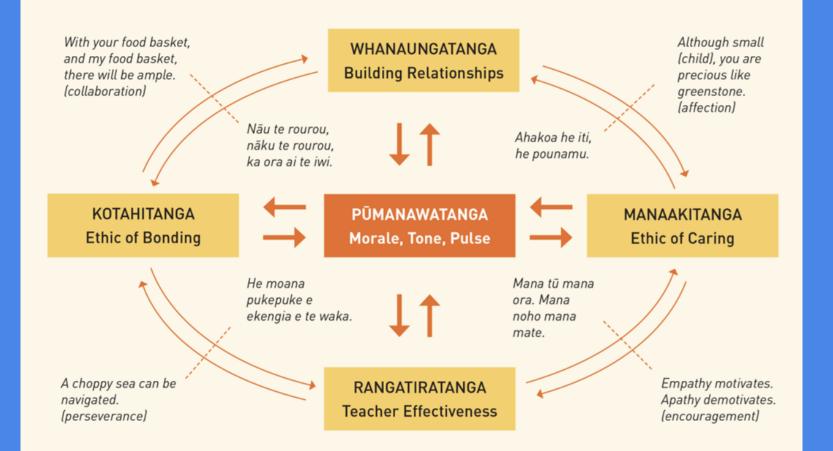
Hone your technocratic skills



Develop a Child Centred Culture and be Deliberate



THE EDUCULTURAL WHEEL



Instructional Practice is the Key



Distributive Leadership and Coaching















Snappy Like a Crocodile

Walk with Intent





Ventilation, Ventilation, Ventilation

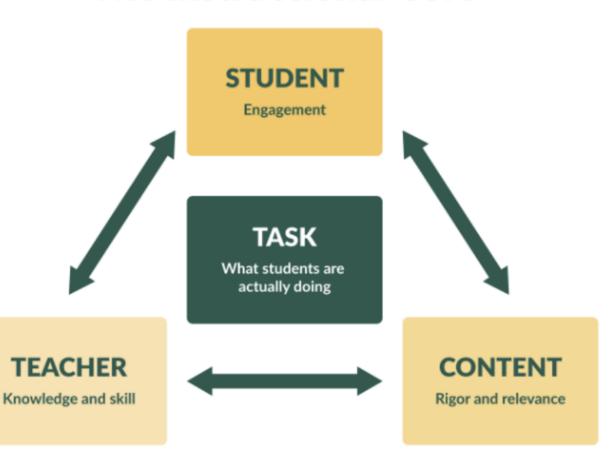
No Christmas Activities before Week 9

How's our friend doing?

Calm the farm

The Task is the Learning

The Instructional Core



What You Focus On Flourishes

- Have a growth mindset and clear vision.
- Focus on solutions, wellbeing, and
- Empower teams to thrive, echoing the idea that "when we praise people, they flourish,"
- When attention is directed constructively, growth is cultivated.

Definition of madness....

"If you do the same thing over and over and expect different results"—this quote embodies the need for **adaptive expertise**.

- Resilient leaders learn from setbacks and avoid repeating failed approaches, instead seeking new strategies and learning from experience.
- It is imperative leaders are innovative and adaptable during continual change and crises.

If In Doubt, Wing It

- Leaders are rarely handed perfect plans: being willing to act despite uncertainty and learn along the way cultivates agility and confidence—"say yes, then learn how to do it later," as Richard Branson advocates.
- Be flexibile, a creative problem-solving, and trust in one's ability to improvise. And do the same of your team

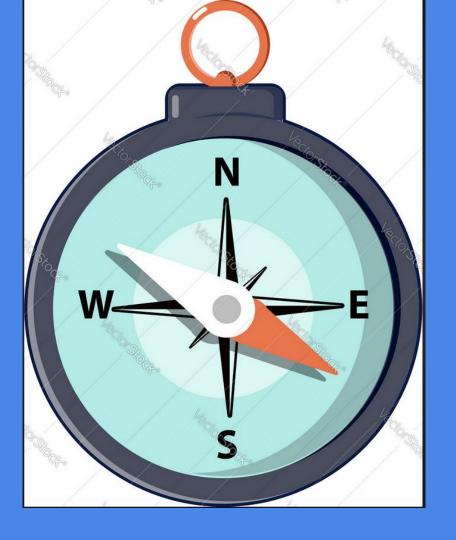
This Too Will Pass

Resilient leaders maintain hope and emotional steadiness, knowing that adversity is temporary. As Nelson Mandela said, "Do not judge me by my success, judge me by how many times I fell down and got back up again". Recognising that challenges are transient helps leaders and teams stay focused on long-term goals.



North- Navigate with Values Stay true to your core values and school vision even things get tough

West - Weather
with Wellbeing
Look after your
team's mental and
emotional health



East- Engage with Empathy

Prioritise relationships and listen carefully to your community

South- Steer with Strategy

Make decisions on clear priorities and available evidence