

About Us

Frenz School Inc. is a charitably society whose goal is to promote bilingual French-English education in New Zealand.

It is operated by a group of parents who provide support to the school and the children in the bilingual programs.

Students in the program are part of a NZ school and they learn the NZ curriculum in both French and English.

www.frenzschooll.org.nz

History

The first bilingual Frenz program in New Zealand started in 1996 in Auckland with 8 students. Currently there are 130 students in the program at Birkdale North and Richmond Road schools ('Etoile du Nord' and 'L'Archipel').

Christchurch Program

La Découverte was setup in 2016 as a partnership between Ao Tawhiti School, Frenz School Inc. and a committee of local parents.

It is the first and only French-English bilingual school program in the South Island.

Give your child the world through a bilingual education!

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Ao Tawhiti School

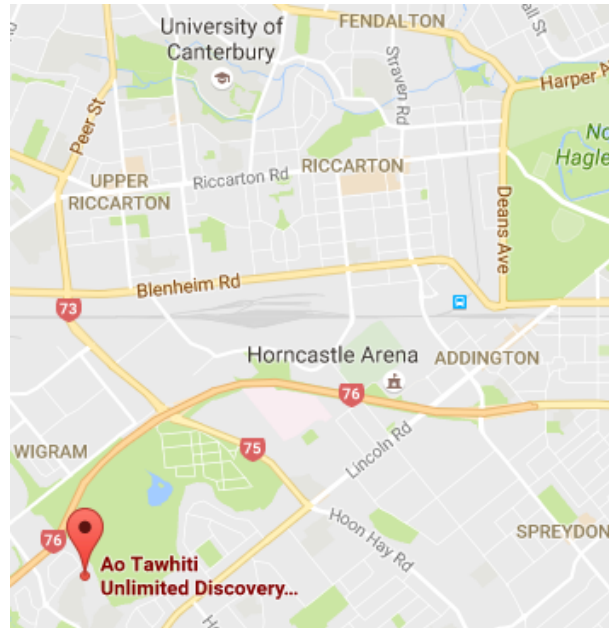
Years 0 to 6 – Discovery Campus

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Note: The entire school (Years 0 to 13) is relocating to the CBD in 2019 (177 St Asaph St)



NZ primary school curriculum taught fully in French 3 days a week and in English 2 days a week

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NZ School Curriculum taught in French & English

Bilingual Education Benefits

Bilingualism provides a wide range of advantages including social, cultural, employment and economic.

In the bilingual program your child will develop a lasting bond with the language, the culture and other bilingual children.

**Give your child the best possible start.
Open up their world!**

*Une éducation bilingue unique
dans une école publique
néo-zélandaise non zonée*

How the program works

Children learn the New Zealand curriculum fully in French for 3 days each week and in English for the remaining two.

Each class is split into mixed age groups (Year 1-3 and Year 4-6) and follows a specific program and uses resources that are specifically adapted.

The goal is that at the end of year 6 the students can fluently speak, write and read in both French and English.

This program provides:

- Fluent French speaking teachers with an excellent teacher/pupil ratio
- Other activities in French (e.g. after school program and trips to New Caledonia)
- French teaching resources and library books
- An easy transition to the French educational system for those that require it.

Entrance Requirements

Children that meet the following criteria are eligible to apply to enroll of this program:

- Then can understand French (no English is spoken during the French immersion times)
- There is a French speaking parent or caregiver available to support the child at home
- The child is accepted into Ao Tawhiti school. Child & parents are expected to adhere to the guiding principles & core values of the school

Fees

- **Standard school donation paid directly to Ao Tawhiti** (currently: \$175/year/child)
- **FRENZ program donation:** \$500/year/child
- **FRENZ membership:** \$40/year per family (includes access to the French library, after school program and gives voting rights)



Ao Tawhiti School

Ao Tawhiti (Unlimited Discovery) is a NZ public school with a special character. The school is co-educational, composite and zoned for all of Christchurch.

www.aotawhiti.school.nz

Character & benefits of the school

- High value is placed on students directing their own learning
- Innovative and flexible learning methods
- Classes are smaller
- Each child has an Individual Education Plan that is updated each term
- There are many opportunities for 'real life, hands on' learning
- Parents are highly involved in the children's learning and school activities
- Children are encouraged to lead learning for others (everyone's a teacher)
- Mixed age levels allow children to remain in peer groups even if they don't fit academically

