We invite you to a waananga:

When: Saturday 12 March, 10am-3pm Where: Central Kids, 6 Glenshea St, Putaruru

Whanaungatanga - An inspirational day for centres to come together, to connect and explore the shared values and beliefs within your own team. This will set the scene for ongoing learning and reflection over the year.

To register RSVP to admin@elp.co.nz.



## **Programme overview**

We would like to be responsive to individual settings. These are the topics that may be covered:

- Relevant theories & practice aligning with the principles, strands and goals of Te Whāriki 2017 through planning assessment and evaluation to provide quality outcomes for children
- How to incorporate children's interests, dispositions and whānau & life contexts in portfolios and learning stories
- Curriculum planning and/or staff meeting minutes
- Building strong teams exploring ways to work meaningfully with each other during the process of assessment, planning, and evaluation to provide quality learning outcomes through a wide range of experiences and reciprocal relationships
- Creating a service philosophy, which guides practice, and that documented evidence shows a process and the implementation of ongoing internal evaluation that maintains and improves the quality of service education & care
- Comprehensive service human resource practices including selection and appointment, induction and role clarity, appraisal and professional development and discipline procedures.

## To register:

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## STRENGTHENING PEDAGOGICAL PRACTICE

Kaihautū: He waka eke noa A canoe that we are all in with no exception

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Learning Facilitators,
Gayle Croft & Roberta Skeoch



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**Gayle Croft**Professional Learning Facilitator

Gayle is the owner of Tiaki, a small early learning centre, nestled on the shores of Lake Rotorua, just a stone's throw from Ōwhata Marae. The centre, which opened in 2008, was established with the over arching philosophy of "Walk softly on the Earth" and it was here that Gayle began to turn her nature-based, 'home away from home' dream into a reality. Over the past thirteen years, Tiaki has evolved and grown. They have built a strong relationship with Ngati Te Roro o Te Rangi our local hapū, established a successful place based education programme, developed a vegan menu our tamariki and whānau love, and have been committed to our para kore/zero waste kaupapa. These changes and developments happened over time through fostering a collaborative, distributed leadership style, following our hearts and by not being afraid to disrupt the ordinary and routine.



**Roberta Skeoch**Professional Learning Facilitator

Roberta began her ECE journey 25 years ago when she enrolled her first child in Te Kōhunga Reo. Following her study she spent 12 years teaching and learning beside some amazing minds. In 2015 she made the difficult decision to leave the sector to take up a lecturing role at Toi Ohomai Institute of Technology teaching on the Bachelor of Education (ECE). One of the requirements of this new position was to complete an Adult Teaching qualification and it was during this time that she realised our Te Whāriki curriculum document is not just an early childhood curriculum, but rather a learners curriculum. The principles and strands relate to teaching and learning of all ages and so I have tried to remain true to this whakaaro and continued to let Te Whāriki drive her practice in the tertiary space.

To read more about Gayle and Roberta please visit our website www.elp.co.nz