

To whom it may concern,

Re: Marton Community Committee grant application for Marton School

Marton School Parents and Friends would like to apply for the Marton Community Committee funding. Attached is a budget and a concept plan of the edible garden by a landscape gardener.

Our mission is to make the potential of every child at Marton School a reality, by engaging and empowering families to advocate for all children at our school.

This funding would allow us to significantly fast-track some specific long-term goals for the school which will have long-term environmental and social benefits to our local community.

Specifically, our intention to create an edible garden and orchard for the Marton School children, their families and the wider community.

As a low decile school we are aware of the economic struggles many of our whanau/families/fono face, and through this project we intend the benefits of this asset to extend to the wallets, tables and mouths of our most vulnerable children and families. The benefits that a healthy, full stomach makes to the learning capability of students is well documented. It is our intention, through the harvest of our garden, to contribute to our student's physical wellbeing giving them the best chance at achieving the individual excellence.

We are very grateful for the opportunity to apply for this funding. And thank you in advance for considering our application.

The project has complete support from the school, its students and staff, and the Board. The school is now an Enviro school and plans (which were funded by Parents & Friends fundraising) have been drafted for the garden and surrounds.

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Tabled at MCC

on 13-06-18

In addition, the school has already started making plans to incorporate the edible garden and orchard into the school curriculum. This will fulfil dual purposes. One; each class will learn theoretical and practical skills relating to particular elements of the project - such as beekeeping, ecosystems and sustainability. And two; the on-going maintenance and development of the garden is guaranteed - each class will be responsible for a particular element. As each student progresses through the school they will be able to experience all areas of the edible garden.

The foundation of this project is the asset based community development model, whereby we have the land capacity, school buy-in incorporating the garden into every year level's curriculum, including community and businesses that have come on board offering labour, services and knowledge. We see our school community citizens; students, parents and staff as co-producers of this project creating health-enhancing assets both tangible (the garden and harvest) and non-tangible in the form lifelong skills and knowledge. Our garden will further promote our school networks between and with whanau/families/fono, giving us another opportunity build relationships and friendships that can provide mutual help and empowerment.

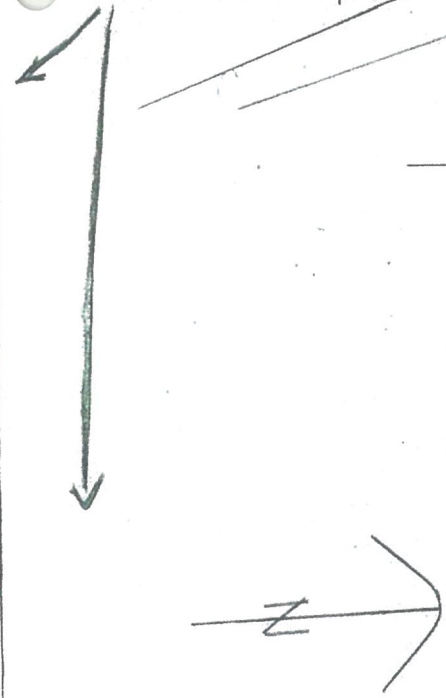
Once again, we thank you for giving us the opportunity to apply for this funding. Please don't hesitate to contact us if you would like any aspects of our application clarified.

We look forward to your response.

Yours sincerely,

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PROPOSED NATIVE PLANTING ON SCHOOL BOUNDARY FOR INCREASED SPECIES DIVERSITY

PLAYING FIELDS

OLD ORCHARD TO HAVE BENEFICIAL UNDERPLANTING

TO BE REMOVED + REPLACED WITH PLANTER BOXES

CLASSROOMS GRASS

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NOTES
SHADED AREAS ARE PROPOSED ADDITIONS

CLASSROOMS

PARKING

ADMINISTRATION ENTRY

SCHOOL LOOP GARDEN

DRIVEWAY

PROPOSED SHELTER

CITRUS TREES

EXISTING VEGETABLE BEDS

GRAPES ON TREES VEGETABLE PROGENS TO BE EXTENDED

PROPOSED SMALL FRUIT BED

FEIJOAS

GRASS

CHOOK HOUSE BEE HIVES

Greenhouse Potting Shed

OLD MARION SCHOOL SITE

USING HIGH HEALTH STOCK

TENNIS COURTS

OLD MARION SCHOOL SITE

MEMORIAL

NATIVES TO BE REGENERATED

MARION SCHOOL
PROPOSED ADDITIONS
SCETCH ONLY
25.9.17

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