

Playcentre Education Reading List

Te Wāhanga Mātauranga | Playcentre Education recommends that Playcentres have copies of the following books available to ākonga learners to borrow for their Playcentre Education modules. Some books are available to purchase from [The Playcentre Shop](#).

*Required reading for several modules so we recommend that you have **multiple copies** available.

*Ministry of Education. (2017). *Te whāriki: He whāriki mātauranga mō ngā mokopuna o Aotearoa: Early childhood curriculum*. [Te-Whariki-Early-Childhood-Curriculum.pdf \(amazonaws.com\)](#).

*Playcentre Education. (2023). *He Rauemi Reo Māori (Te Reo Māori Resource Booklet)*. [He-Rauemi-Reo-Maori-Version-2.0-Jan-2023.pdf \(playcentre.org.nz\)](#)

*Brownlee, P. (revised version 2015) *Magic places*. Good Egg Books. (Note: The 2015 version had a major revision to include new information and therefore is the recommended version.)

*Printed copies of the Ako Resource—[RESOURCE SERIES | Kit for student teachers » Ako Aotearoa](#)

*Ministry of Education. (2019). *He māpuna te tamaiti: supporting social and emotional competence in early learning*. Also available at <https://www.education.govt.nz/early-childhood/teaching-and-learning/he-mapuna-te-tamaiti/>

*Densem, A. & Chapman, B. (2000) *Learning together, the Playcentre way*. Playcentre Publications.
Working Party on Cultural Issues. (1990). *Whānau tupu ngātahi—Families growing together*. New Zealand Playcentre Federation.

Playcentre Aotearoa Policy Folder. [Policies and Procedures | Playcentre](#)

Ministry of Education. (Last updated Sep 2022). *Licensing criteria for centre-based ECE services*. Also available at [Licensing criteria for centre-based ECE services – Education in New Zealand](#).

Brownlee, P. & Crisp, K. (2016). *The sacred urge to play*. Good Egg Books: New Zealand.

Recommended Readings if available (not all are still in print):

Brownlee, P. (2014). *Dance with me in the heart*. Good Egg Books: New Zealand.

Burke, R. (2011). *Making consensus work*. Playcentre Publications: Auckland, New Zealand.

Conran-Liew, T. (2001). *Working in a group: Leading and relating co-operatively*. Playcentre Publications: Auckland, New Zealand

Hunter, D. (2013). *The art of facilitation: The essentials for leading great meetings and creating group synergy*. Random House: Auckland, New Zealand.

Metge, J. & Kimloch, P. (2001). *Talking past each other*. Victoria University Press: Wellington, New Zealand.

Tānia M. Ka'ai and Rawinia Higgins (2003) *Ki te whaiāo: An introduction to Māori culture and society*.

Books about play inspirations and learning, from the Playcentre Publication play book series, ERO and others. Some of the possible options available to purchase from The Playcentre Shop include:

- *Look Who's Cooking* by Shelley Hancock
- *Recipes for Messy Play*
- *Earthen Treasures* by Shelley Hancock
- *Woodwork Wizardry* by Nic van Onselen
- *Dance upon a Time* by Tanya Batt
- *The World in your Sandpit* by Bernard Woodhams
- *Creative Collage* by Shelley Hancock
- *Changing the World is Child's Play* by Sarah Amy Glensor Best
- *Making Music Together* by Maureen Woodhams

	New	Module Name	Required Reading	Recommended Reading
Playcentre Educator Modules	PE1	Ūkaipōtanga - Let's Play	Densem, A. & Chapman, B. (2000) <i>Learning together, the Playcentre Way</i> . Playcentre Publications. [pp. 121 –144] Brownlee, P. (revised version 2015) <i>Magic Places</i> . Good Egg Books. One book about play inspirations, preferably from the Playcentre Publication play book series (see below) Ako Resource Tikanga Examples—Look for specific card:Ūkaipōtanga	Te Whāriki (become familiar with, don't have to read cover to cover)
	PE2	Kotahitanga - Learning Together in Playcentre	Ako Resource Tikanga Examples—Look for specific cards: Kotahitanga and Wairuatanga (link above) Locate policy folder in the centre and become familiar with the sections. Ministry of Education. (2008). <i>Licensing Criteria for Centre Based ECE Services</i> .	Working Party on Cultural Issues. (1990) <i>Whānau tupu ngātahi</i> [pg. 29-31 required reading included in study resource]
	PE3	Whanaungatanga - Positive Relationships	Ministry of Education. (2019). <i>He Māpuna Te Tamaiti—Supporting Social and Emotional Competence in Early Learning</i>	
	PE4	Te Kākano - Te Reo me ona Tikanga Māori	Playcentre Education. (2023). <i>He Rauemi Reo Māori (Te Reo Māori Resource Booklet)</i> . Te Whāriki Working Party for Cultural Issues. (1990). <i>Whānau Tupu Ngātahi: Families Growing Together</i> . New Zealand Playcentre Federation. (the little red book) Ako Resource Kit for Student Teachers (link above)	Tānia M. Ka'ai and Rawinia Higgins (2003) <i>Ki te Whaiao: An Introduction to Māori Culture and Society</i> . Part One: Te Ao Māori The Māori World-View, Chapters 2 & 3. Pearson New Zealand. [Included in the PE4 Study Resource Appendix]
Playcentre	PL1	Wairuatanga - Reflective Practice	Brownlee, P. & Crisp, K. (2016). <i>The Sacred Urge to Play</i> . Good Egg Books: New Zealand.	

		<p>One book about play inspirations, preferably from the Playcentre Publication play book series (see below).</p> <p>Readings provided on iQualify.</p>	
PL2	Pūkengatanga - Theory Guides Practice	Readings provided on iQualify.	Brownlee, P. (2014). <i>Dance with me in the heart.</i>
PL3	Manaakitanga - Enriching Children's Learning	Readings provided on iQualify.	
PL4	Kaitiakitanga - Playcentre & the Regulations	<p>Readings provided on iQualify.</p> <p>Locate policy folder in the centre and become familiar with the sections.</p> <p>Ministry of Education. (2008). <i>Licensing Criteria for Centre Based ECE Services.</i></p>	
PL5	Rangatiratanga - Communicating Effectively	Readings provided in the Study Resource.	<p>Burke, R. (2011). <i>Making consensus work.</i></p> <p>Metge, J. & Kimloch, P. (2001). <i>Talking past each other.</i></p> <p>Hunter, D. (2013). <i>The art of facilitation: The essentials for leading great meetings and creating group synergy.</i></p> <p>Conran-Liew, T. (2001). <i>Working in a group: Leading and relating co-operatively.</i></p>
PL6	Whakapapa - Philosophy Guides Practice	Readings provided on iQualify.	