



# Educator User Manual

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# **Your Educator Account Details**

Website:	www.pathwaysawarua.com
E-Mail:	
Username:	
Password:	
Join code(s):	



# **Pathways Awarua Educator Lounge**



Join our **Community of Practice** – a casual space to network, share, collaborate and get the latest news around *Pathways Awarua*:



facebook.com/groups/pathwaysawarua

#### **Social Media Channels**

Follow us on our social media channels and keep up to date with new developments, competitions and more:



facebook.com/PathwaysAwarua



tiktok.com/@PathwaysAwarua



in stagram.com/Pathways Awarua



youtube.com



linkedin.com/company/PathwaysAwarua

#### Introduction

Our name – **Awarua** – describes a pattern which is used in rāranga (Māori weaving). In the learning context Awarua reflects the connections that occur between literacy and numeracy as they 'weave' through programmes to increase the quality of learning engagement and skill level.



Developed by the **Tertiary Education Commission** (TEC) and supported by the **Ministry of Education** (MoE), *Pathways Awarua* is for **adult and young adult learners** wanting to improve their reading, writing and maths skills for work and for life.

It is a **free online, interactive learning platform** designed to strengthen literacy and numeracy skills in contexts that are relevant to New Zealanders.

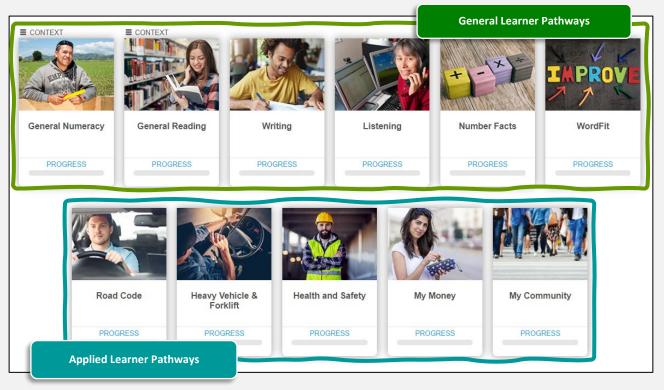
Over **500 modules** of increasing difficulty are organised in **pathways**.

The complete **module list** is available for download <u>here</u>.

The complete WordFit word lists are available for download <a href="here">here</a>.



# **Learner Pathways**



# **General Learner Pathways**

These pathways focus on learners' literacy and numeracy:

Numeracy

Writing

Number Facts

Reading

Listening

Wordfit (Vocabulary)

#### **Applied Learner Pathways**

These deliver specific content, strengthening literacy & numeracy competencies at the same time:

Road Code

- Heavy Vehicle &
- My Money

- Health & Safety
- Forklift

My Community

Learners can progress along the pathways in any sequence, at their own pace. They are given multiple attempts to answer questions correctly and are presented with hints if answers are incorrect. Learners receive immediate feedback on their responses and can track their progress.

*Pathways Awarua* helps learners become self-directed in their learning, as it's easy to use, fun and engaging. It gives learners' skills that they can use every day, in contexts that are both familiar and useful.

## **Updated/New Content**

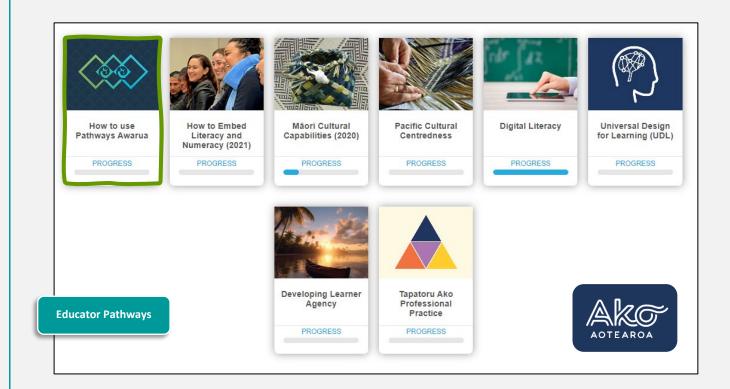
We update existing content on a regular basis. Any new content will also be announced on our social media channels.





## **Educator Pathways**

These pathways are for educators to familiarise themselves to use *Pathways Awarua* with their learners and to improve their own professional knowledge.



Our friends at Ako Aotearoa have developed the following educator pathways:

- Māori Cultural Capabilities and Pacific Cultural Centredness Helping to deliver high
  quality teaching and learning that is more culturally appropriate for Māori and Pacific
  learners.
- **Digital Literacy** Resources assisting educators in supporting their learners in their digital literacy development.
- Universal Design for Learning (UDL) Supporting educators in putting UDL into practice.
- **Developing Learner Agency** Equipping educators with the essential skills, strategies, and knowledge to cultivate learner agency among their learners.
- **Tapatoru Ako Professional Practice** A holistic, learner-centred framework underpinning a values-based approach to tertiary education.

Additional content will be added throughout 2024/25. Please join Ako Aotearoa's Manako Community of Practice: LLN and Cultural Capability for updates.



## **Introducing Pathways Awarua to your Learners**



Adults are motivated when they can see the **relevance of their learning**. It is important your learners understand why *Pathways Awarua* – and more generally literacy and numeracy – are relevant to their learning and their lives.

Discussing how strengthening their literacy and numeracy skills will not only help them immediately with the demands of their course or workplace but will also improve employment opportunities and help with family and home life.

The four **applied pathways** deliver content for driver licences, health and safety in the workplace, and personal money management, while at the same time strengthening literacy and numeracy competencies.

You can support your learners in seeing the relevance of *Pathways Awarua* to their learning by helping them to make connections between the content of modules and your vocational context. For example, if learners are working on a module about reading and understanding forms, you could show them a range of forms used in their vocational context.

Learners who have had negative experiences at school may find that a new way of learning does not automatically trigger some of the negative responses they have had traditionally in their learning. Many learners appreciate the opportunity to **answer questions "in private"** and they can receive **immediate feedback** about whether they have answered a question correctly or not.

See also:



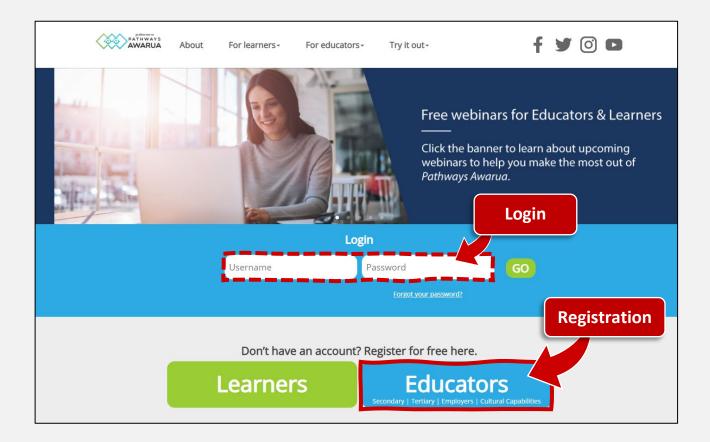
Ways to use Pathways Awarua with learners

# **Educator Registration & Login**

#### Registration

For registration and login, navigate to

www.pathwaysawarua.com



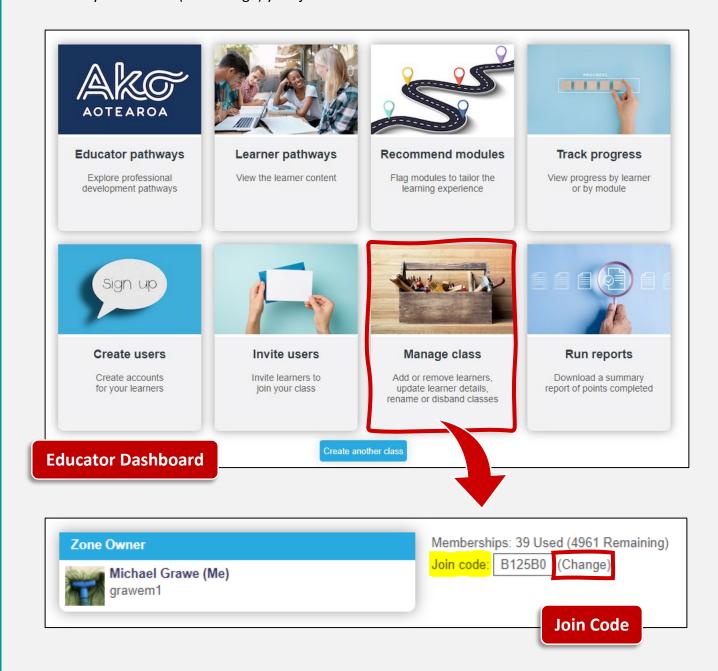
#### **Join Code**

Upon completion you will receive an e-mail confirming your username and individual join code.

**Please note:** Provide your join code to your learners when registering for *Pathways Awarua*. This will allow you to track your learners' progress from your account. Do <u>not</u> enter the join code in your own account.

For future reference you may wish to record your account details on page 3.

You may also access (and change) your join code via the Educator Dashboard:



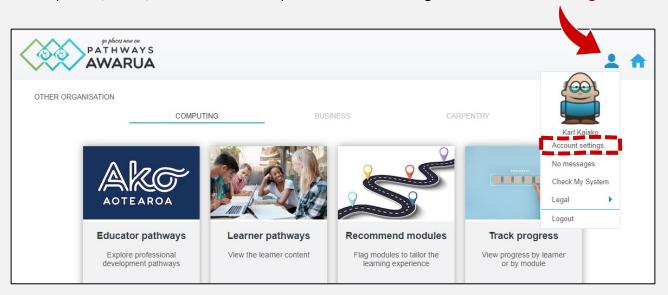
# **Changing your Join Code**

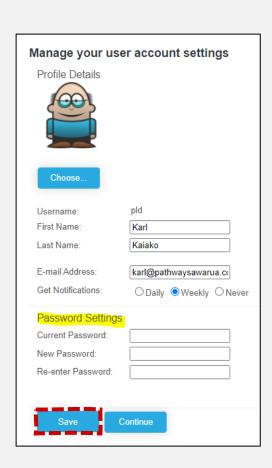
If you are having problems with unauthorised learners finding out your code and using it to join your group, you can click on (Change) next to your code.

This generates a new random code for your group. **Your existing learners will not be affected**, but any new learner joining the group will need to use the new code.

# **Account Settings & Password Change**

Profile picture, name, e-mail address and password can be changed under account settings:





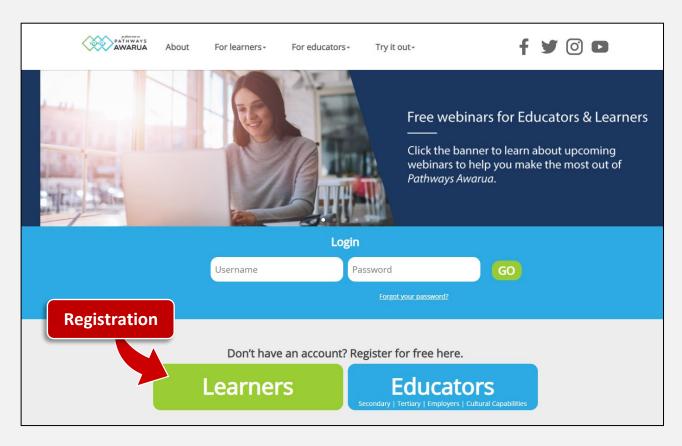
# **Learner Management**

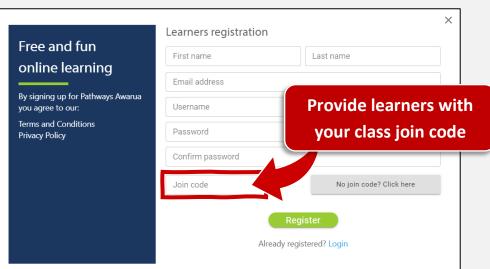
#### **Learner Self-Registration**

Learners can self-register (and login) on <a href="www.pathwaysawarua.com">www.pathwaysawarua.com</a> or via two learner-focused entry points:

www.GoPlacesNow.co.nz

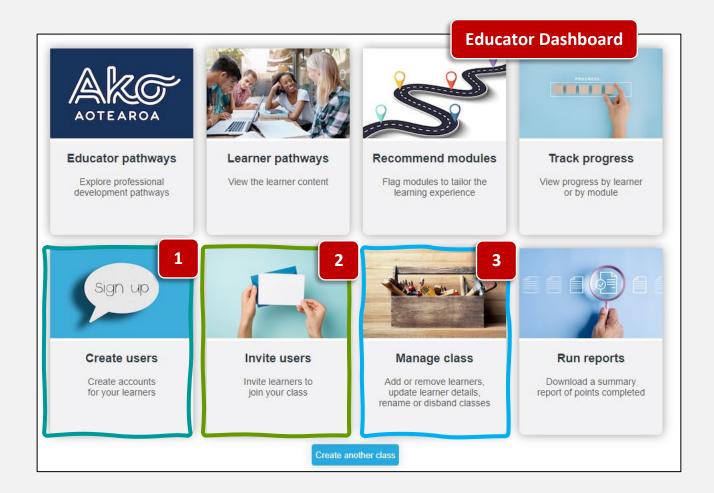
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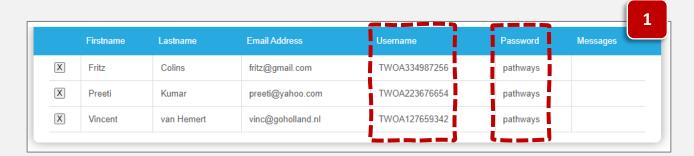


Pathways Awarua is free for everyone – even for learners based overseas!



# **Create Users (interactive table)**

- To sign up multiple new learners under your class, select Create users from the Educator Dashboard.
- Select **NEW TABLE** and enter the learner details. **Double left-click** into a cell to get into editing mode.:



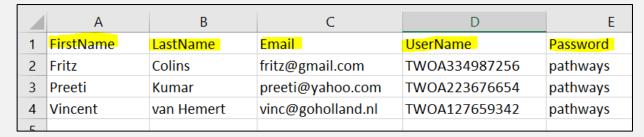
 You may wish to follow an easy to remember format when assigning usernames and passwords (e.g., username = student ID, password = pathways), allowing you to easily assist learners who have misplaced their login details.



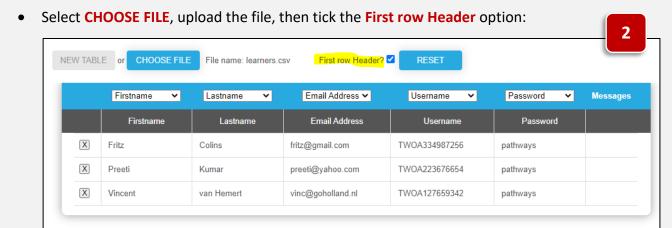
#### **Create Users (upload .csv file)**



Create a spreadsheet (in Excel) with the following column headers:



- Save the spreadsheet as a .csv (comma separated values) file.
- From the Educator Dashboard, select Create users.



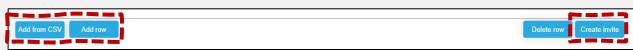
Select VERIFY, then CREATE.

# Invite Users (send invitations via table or .csv file)



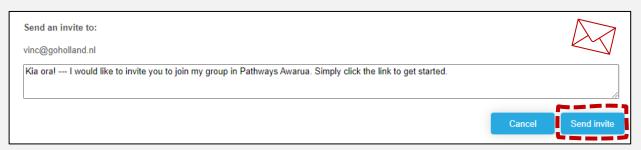
- To invite multiple new learners via e-mail select Invite users from the Educator Dashboard.
- Enter learner details in the **interactive table** and/or upload a .csv file:



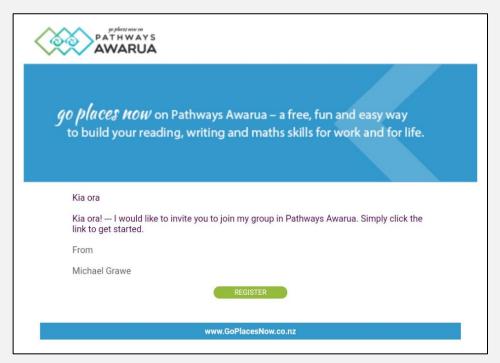


Click on Create invite.

Enter a custom message, and Send invite:



• Your learner(s) will receive the following e-mail:



• You can keep track of **sent invites** and completed **registrations** learners:



# Additional Learner Groups (Classes)

It is possible to create additional learner group (i.e. classes) in your Educator account.

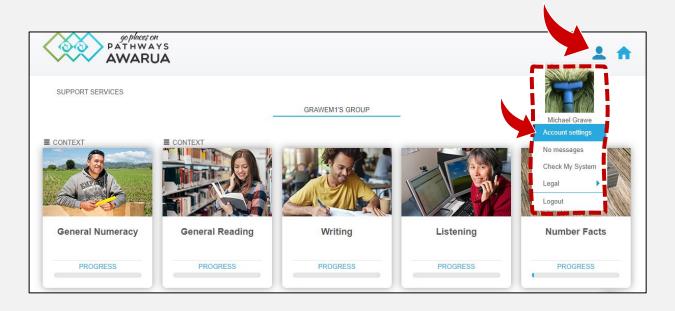




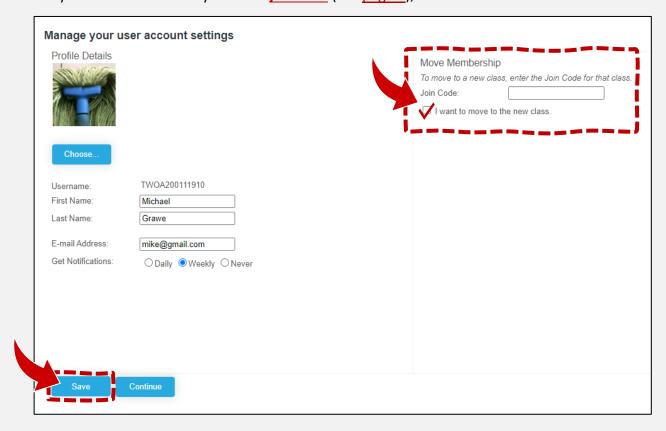
Watch this short video on how to create/rename/delete additional learner groups.

## Moving Learners with existing Accounts to your Class Group

• Ask students with existing *Pathways Awarua* accounts to log into their learner account and navigate to Account settings:



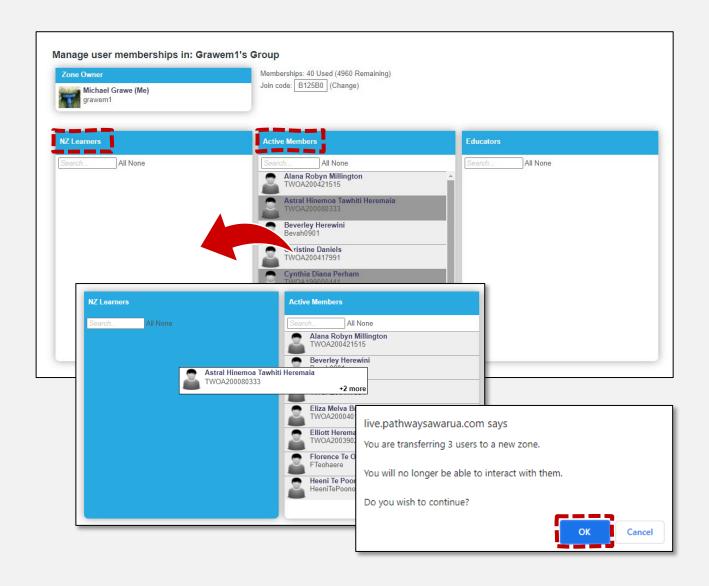
• Ask your Learner to enter your class join code (see page 7), tick the box and click Save.



#### **Removing Learners**

You may wish to remove Learners who are no longer in your class group (e.g., students from a previous semester):

- On the Educator Dashboard, navigate to "Manage users".
- In the Active Members list, select the learner(s) to be removed. You may select several learners at the same time.
- Drag the selected learner(s) over into the NZ Learners column.
- Confirm this action by clicking on the OK button in the dialogue box:



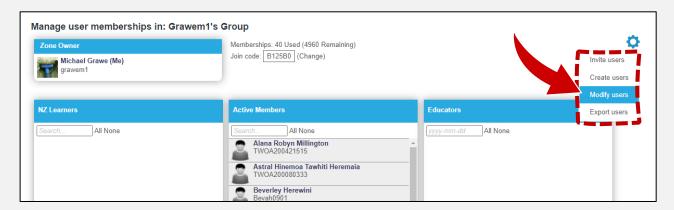
• The learner(s) will now no longer appear in your class group/reports.

However, their login will remain active, and they can continue using Pathways Awarua.

#### **Modifying Learner Details**

You may wish to update Learners' details (e.g., reset passwords, change e-mail addresses):

On the Educator Dashboard, navigate to Manage users and select Modify users.



- Usernames cannot be modified.
- You will be able to change names and (bulk) update email addresses and passwords.



# Adding Educators to your Group



If you have a tutor aide or another colleague you would like to give access to your class, you can add them as an Educator:

- To add one or more additional educators, ask them to register as an educator, choosing your organisation and creating their own class.
- You will then be able to mark them as an educator in your own class using the 'manage educators' option found on your 'manage class' page.

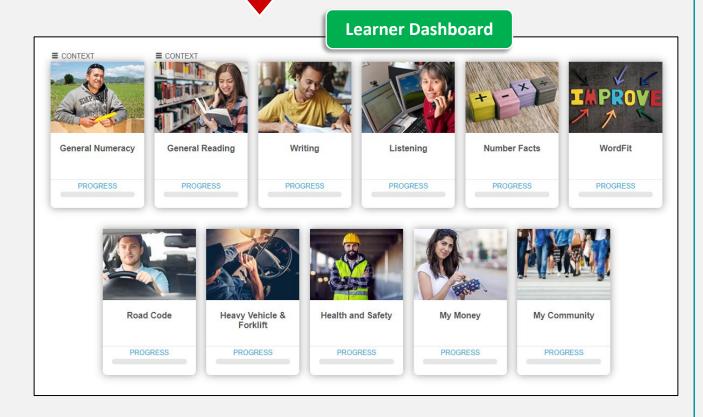


Watch this short video on how to add/remove educators from your group.

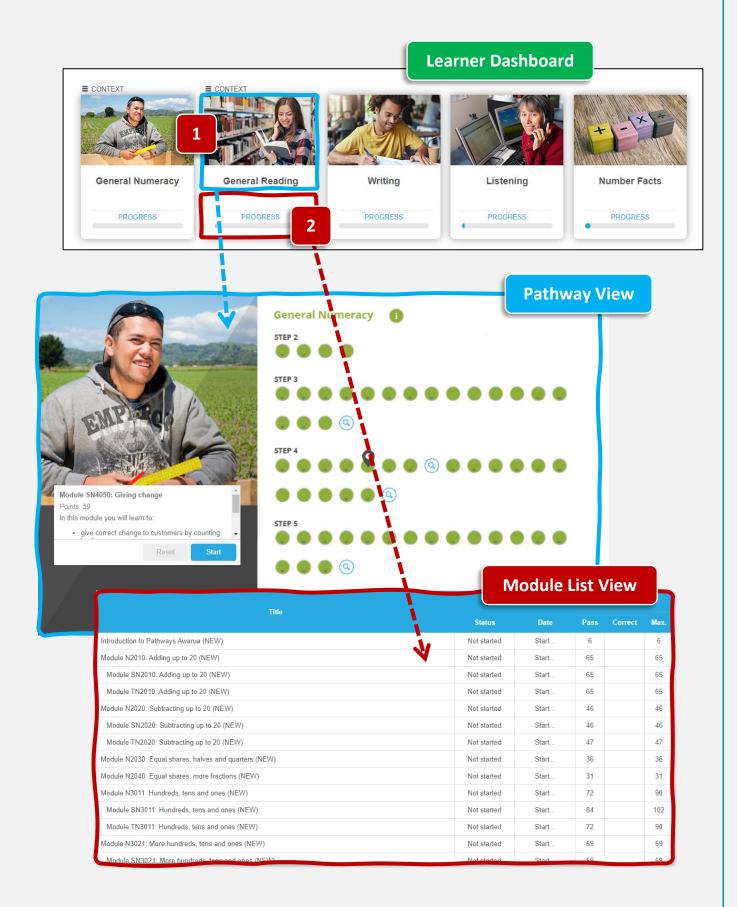
# **Navigating the Learner Dashboard**

• To access the Learner Dashboard from your Educator Dashboard, select Learner pathways:





• From the Learner Dashboard, you can navigate to either <u>Pathway View</u> or <u>Module List View</u>:



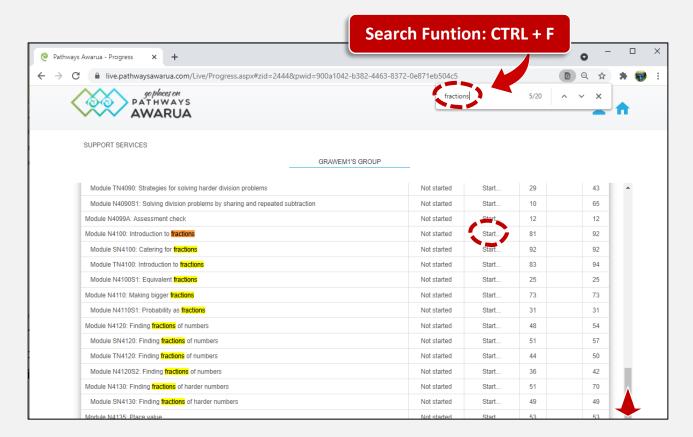
#### **Pathway Map View**



- For Learners new to *Pathways Awarua*, it is recommended to complete the **Introduction to Pathways Awarua** module.
- Modules are grouped by level of difficulty and relate to the **Adult Learning Progressions** (Starting Points, Step 1 Step 6).
- **Hover** your mouse pointer over the module dots. The **module title** will be displayed as a screen tip.
- To choose a specific module, left click on the module dot, then click on **Start**.
- Modules with **magnifying glass icons** allow you to check your understanding of the modules in the step.

#### **Module List View**

- This view is recommended for searching for topics or easily navigating to specific modules.
- To find a specific module or topic easily, use the keyboard shortcut CTRL + F to access the search function within your browser.
- Type a **keyword** (e.g., "fractions"), **module number** (e.g., "N4100") or (part of) a **module title** into the search box.



# **Module Numbers Explained**

#### **Module Descriptors:**

N	Numeracy	TR	Trade Reading	MM	My Money
SN	Service Numeracy	YR	Youth Reading	HT	Heavy Vehicle
TN	Trades Numeracy	W	Writing	FKLT	Forklift
R	Reading	L	Listening	RC	Road Code
SR	Service Reading	HS	Health & Safety	MC	My Community

• The **number** following the module descriptor relates to the Step in the Learning Progressions.



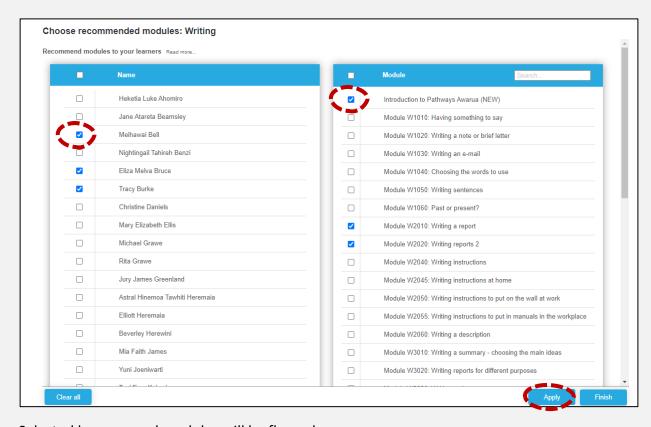
Download the complete Pathways Awarua module list here.

# **Recommending Modules to Learners**

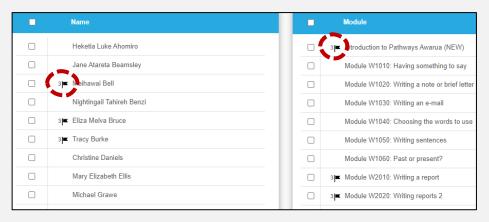
You can tailor learning to individuals or groups of learners by recommending specific modules. You may want to recommend modules to learners as preparation for upcoming work or as additional revision.

- From the Educator Dashboard, select Recommend module.
- Select the pathway you wish to recommend modules from (e.g., Writing).
- Select the learner's name(s) and module(s), then click Apply.



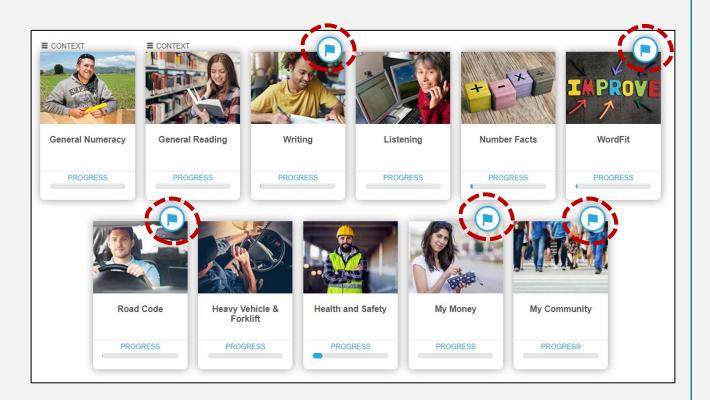


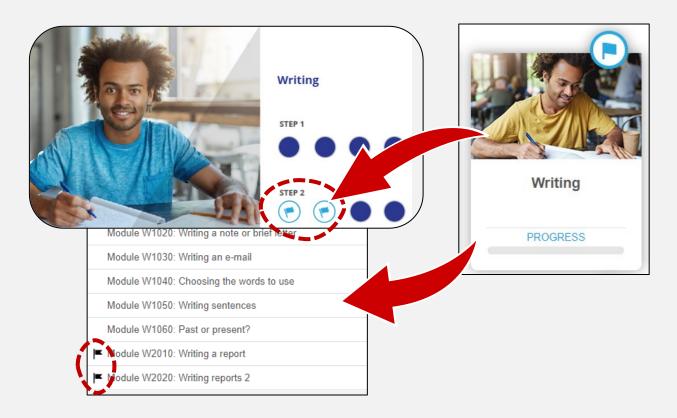
Selected learners and modules will be flagged.



Select Finish.

• Learners can easily recognise recommended modules by the **added flags** icons that show on the **Learner Dashboard**, in **Pathway View** and **Module List View**.





- Flags will automatically clear as learners complete the recommended modules.
- You may also wish to use these templates (.pdf/.dotx) to create your own plans for individual learners/groups.

#### **Learner Rewards**

# **Learn & Win - Samsung Galaxy Tablets & Shopping Vouchers**







Download the 2025 Prize Draw Poster (PDF) here.

- Learners who complete the required points by the cut-off date(s) will be automatically entered into the draw.
- For the tablet draws, learners will get one entry into each draw for every 1,000 points completed across any of the pathways.
- All points are counted over a calendar year, starting on 1st January each year.
- Unless the winner registered as an independent learner (i.e. not part of a group), we will contact their tutor first to see if they would like to present the prize to their learner.

Promotions and competitions are also advertised on the Pathways Awarua on social media.

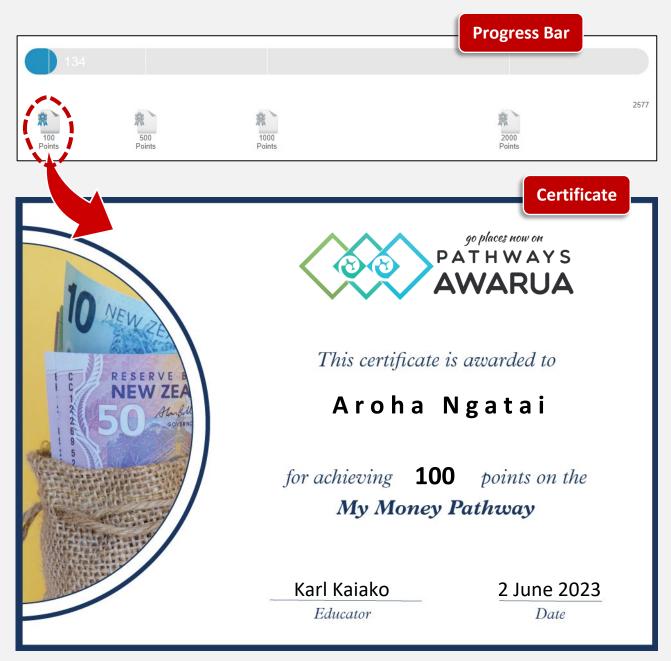


Here are some of our winners.

#### **Certificates (automatically generated)**

Learners can access and print certificates at specific point thresholds.

- From the Learner Dashboard, select the Module List View (see p. 20) for a specific pathway.
- A progress bar is displayed at the top of the page.
- When learners reach certain points thresholds, **certificate icons** become active, and certificates can be downloaded as PDFs and printed.



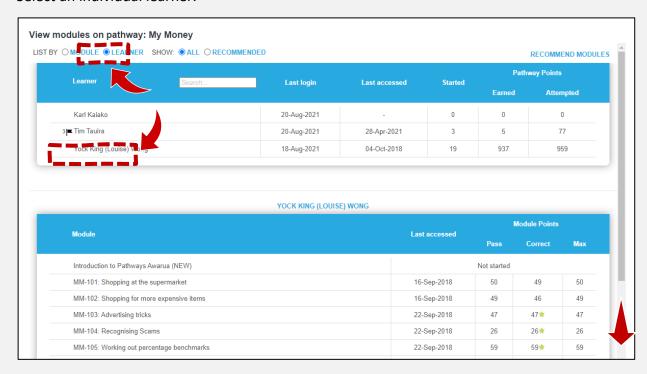
# **Printing Certificates for your Learners**

You can access and print your learners' certificates from your Educator account:

- From the Educator Dashboard, select the Track progress tile.
- In the pop-up window, select the appropriate pathway, e.g. "My Money".



- Select List by: Learner.
- Select an individual learner.



 Scroll to the bottom of the page. All certificates achieved by this learner in this specific pathway and can be opened, downloaded as PDFs and printed from here:



# **Custom Certificates**



To acknowledge exceptional achievement, we will send a custom certificates to learners who have completed 20,000 points or more within a calendar year.

Additionally, learners who have completed 10,000 points or more within a calendar year will be entered into a separate, additional draw for a Samsung Galaxy tablet.



#### 20,000 points Certificate

Earn 20,000 points across any of our pathways between 1 January and 30 November 2024 to receive a custom Certificate of Achievement from us.







#### 10,000 points Challenge

Earn 10,000 points across any of our pathways between 1 January and 31 October 2024 to go into a special draw for a Samsung Galaxy tablet.







20,000-Point Certificate

awarded to

**Angelina Smith** 

Congratulations from the team at Pathways Awarua!

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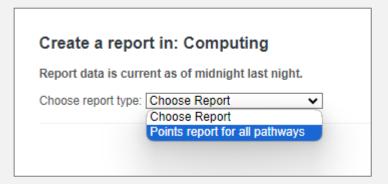
## **Tracking Learner Progress**

Educators can view and download summaries of points scored. Before running reports, we recommend <u>removing learners</u> who are no longer attending class from the <u>Active member</u> list.

#### **Points Report for all Pathways**

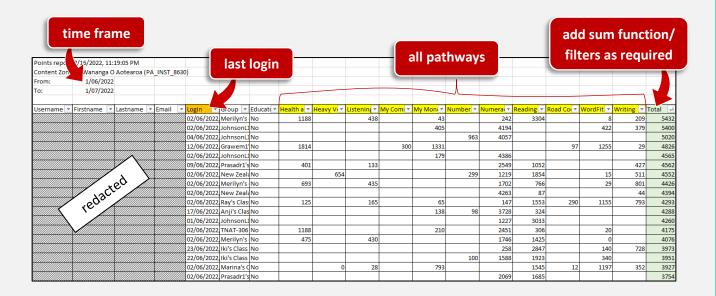
This report lists all learners (in your selected group) and provides an overview of how many points have been achieved **across** <u>all</u> **pathways** in a specified time frame:

- On the Educator Dashboard, navigate to Run reports.
- Choose the report type: Points report for all pathways.





- Specify the time frame by entering dates into the [From:] and [To:] fields.
- Click on the Run Report button.
- Select the **Download** button to generate a spreasheet:

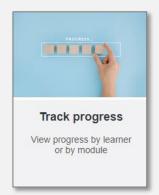


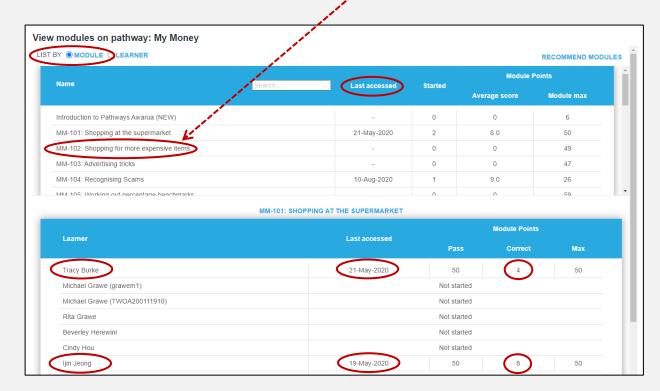
This report is also available for *Pathways Awarua* admin accounts. Administrators can choose between an organisation-wide report and reports for specific classes within the organisation.

# **Report by Module**

#### Which learners have started/completed a specific module?

- On the Educator Dashboard, navigate to Track progress, then select the pathway you wish to check.
- In the **top table**, select **LIST BY: MODULE** and click the **module** you would like to check, e.g., *MM-101*.



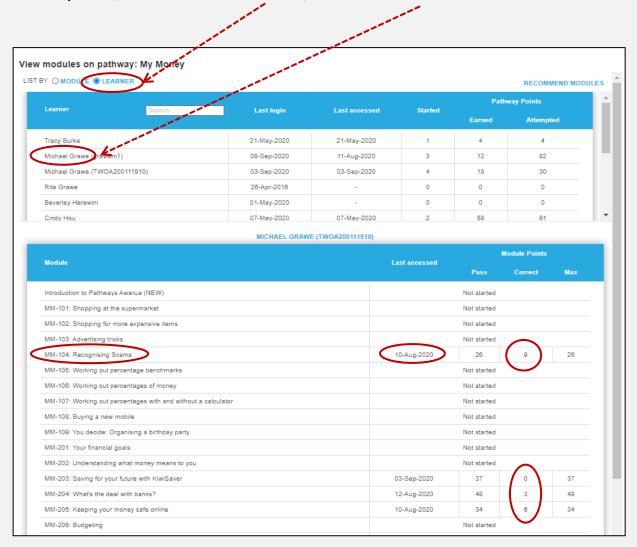


• The **bottom table** will update and show which learners have started/completed this module.

#### **Report by Learner**

#### Which learners have started/completed which module(s) within a specific pathway?

- On the Educator Dashboard, navigate to Track progress, then select the pathway you wish to check.
- In the **top table**, select the **LIST BY: LEARNER**, then click on a **learner's name**:



• The **bottom table** will update and show which modules within the selected pathway a specific learner has started/completed.

#### **Access**

Pathways Awarua is available anywhere, anytime, on any device.

#### **PCs & Laptops**

Pathways Awarua can be accessed through any web browser on your PC or laptop.

# Apps for Tablets (7.



The *Pathways Awarua* apps have been designed specifically for **tablets** for **offline use**. The apps let learners to complete the modules without being connected to the internet, giving them more options for learning anywhere, anytime.



Each of the main pathways has a separate app that can be download from the **Google Play Store** or the **Apple App Store**. (<a href="http://www.pathwaysawarua.com/apps">http://www.pathwaysawarua.com/apps</a>).

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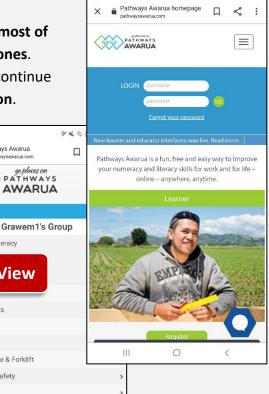
Modules completed off-line will automatically be synced once the device is reconnected to the internet.

Due to limitations in screen size/orientation and storage, the **apps are not available for smartphones**.

## **Smartphones**

Even though the apps are not available on smartphones, **most of the** *Pathways Awarua* **content is optimised for smartphones**. Regardless of what mobile device learners use, they can continue learning as long as they have **an active internet connection**.

Pathways Awarua is accessible via any mobile browser. The website is fully responsive, and modules will adapt to the device's screen size.



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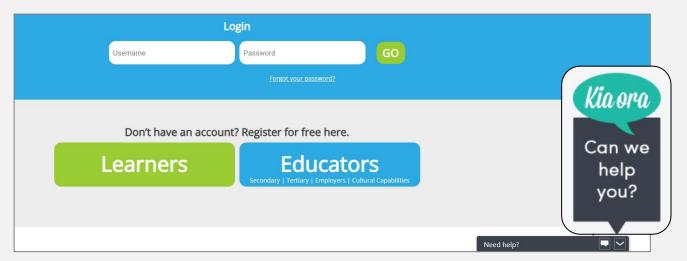
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# Help when you need It

#### **Helpdesk & Live Chat**

The Helpdesk is available for both **learners and educators** and can assist with forgotten usernames/passwords and any other queries around *Pathways Awarua* you might have.

The team are available via **Live Chat weekdays, 08:00 h – 17:00 h**. Simply click on the "Kia ora" speech bubble on the bottom right corner of our homepage to start chatting.



Outside office hours your chat request will be sent as an e-mail. Optionally, you can reach us at <a href="mailto:support@pathwaysawarua.com">support@pathwaysawarua.com</a>. Please note: We do not offer phone support.

Feel free to also share success stories or feedback you/your learners may have.

#### **Webinars & Professional Development**



We offer free monthly **public webinars** for educators to help you make the most of *Pathways Awarua*.

For groups of 5+ participants we can offer **free custom webinars**.

If your organisation/school is interested in custom **in-house workshops**, please contact <a href="mailto:pld@pathwaysawarua.com">pld@pathwaysawarua.com</a> to discuss. (Fees/reimbursement for travel costs may apply depending on location.)

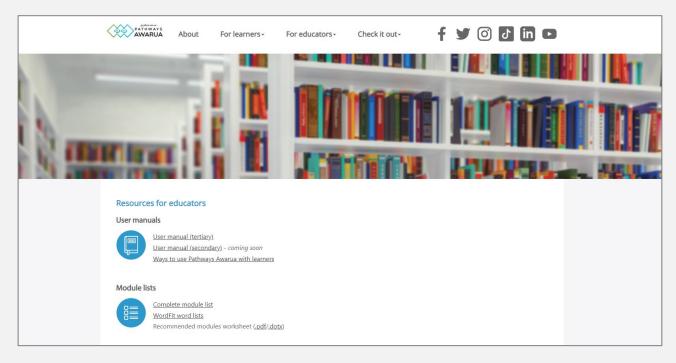


For information on **topics, dates/times** and to **register**, visit <u>www.pathwaysawarua.com/webinars</u> or click <u>here</u>.

# Educator Resources (available for download)



A range of additional resources for educators is available via this dedicated webpage: www.pathwaysawarua.com/resources:



Check back regularly for updates and additions.

