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THE PURPOSE

• Explain why internet is important in education
• Identify some issues we have encountered in Cook Islands
• Network with neighboring pacific nations to overcome future barriers
Why is internet important?

- To assist learners to gather valuable information
- Develop essential learning skills with educational programmes
- Applications for learning
- Regional and Global networking
Over the back fence project

- Educating for life in a global world
- Use of digital tools in education
- Skills and new directions present exciting outreach
- Chance to give back to the community through student-based teaching
- Working in teams on a global network
- Improves awareness of what is going on around us and in the wider community
- Learning about other cultures
- Effective way of cross-age interaction/respect
What we hope to get out of it?

• Increase our students and their audience knowledge and skills
• Encourage more student to student interaction
• Building collaborating teams for inquiry
• Interacting with older/younger students in a positive giving environment
• Encourage global community – connectivity
• Assistance with upgraded technology
The difficult stuff

- Technology problems
- Firewalls & settings
- Internet connection and speed
- Infrastructure
- Hardware
- Pedagogy
- Level of language
- Responsibility and communication
Barriers that hinder our learning ability

- One internet provider
- High Expense
- Outdated hardware, students have access to 7 computers with no student internet access login
- No student access to internet limits students inquiry learning process
- Fails to prepare students to become critical thinkers
- Helps students to make meaning of the world we live in
- Limited resources, students depend or are limited to teacher based knowledge and text book learning.
- Lack of cultural education apps/programmes on/off lines
Internet Plans in Cook Islands

**Into**
- Price $25.00
- Data 1.5GB
- Excess 5c/MB
- Speed (up to 2mb/s)

**Standard**
- Price $49.00
- Data 3.5GB
- Excess 4c/MB
- Speed (up to 2mb/s)

**Value**
- Price $89.00
- Data 8GB
- Excess 3c/MB
- Speed (up to 4mb/s)

**Plus**
- Price $139
- Data 15GB
- Excess 2.5c/MB
- Speed (up to 4mb/s)

**Super**
- Price $299
- Data 32GB
- Excess 2c/MB
- Speed (up to 8 mb/s)
Cook Island Maori learning environment

- Literacy and Numeracy initiatives
- Educational Apps on/offline with access in any language
- Student/Teacher resources in Pacific Island languages
- Student learning portals for learners of the South Pacific
- More educational global networking projects like Over the back fence project
INTERNET IS EVERYONE’S BUSINESS

- Special Education packages for schools
- Generating IT skills within the pacific
- Educating students through virtual experiences
- Educating our people through virtual experiences
- Working with other pacific nations to prepare pacific based apps and on/off line learning and teaching initiatives
- Generating social networks for students
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