

## AI in Primary Schools Information Sheet for Whānau, Parents and Caregivers

### Tēnā koe, Greetings

The New Zealand Council for Educational Research (NZCER) is conducting online surveys about what Year 5 – 8 primary school students and their teachers think about Artificial Intelligence (AI).

Your child's school has decided to participate, and we are hoping that your child will tell us what they think by participating in a survey with their class.

### He aha te kaupapa o tēnei rangahau? / What is this research about?

The study aims to explore current thinking and use of AI tools in primary schools, including the perceptions of students and teachers. It will also examine issues of ethics, equity, and the future opportunities and challenges related to AI in education.

***If your child doesn't use AI, we still want to hear from them!*** This study does not assume any AI use, and many of our questions are about what children think or have heard about AI.

### He aha tō mātou nei hiahia? / What are we asking you to do?

Please read through this invitation and decide whether you would like your child to be included in the study.

The study would involve your child completing an online survey. The survey will take approximately 10 minutes and will be done during school.

The survey findings will enable us to write a report about how New Zealand primary school students and teachers think about and use AI. The report will be published on NZCER's website in 2025.

### Matatika me te matatapu / Ethics and confidentiality

The survey is **voluntary, confidential and anonymous**. No students, teachers, or schools will be named in our report. Your child can choose not to participate or to stop participating at any time during the survey.

### **Me aha au ināianeī? / What should I do next?**

If you are happy for your child to be invited **to participate** in the survey, there is nothing more you need to do.

If you would prefer your child **not to participate**, please let your child's teacher know.

Feel free to contact David Coblentz (project leader) if you have any questions or if you would like to be emailed when the report is available:

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Kia ora, and many thanks for your help.

NZCER research team