TE KURA KAIARAHI JADE STEVENS HELPED SET UP THE PERFECT PLACEMENT FOR STUDENT BEN GOMAS. BEN IS WORKING WITH JAMES PARKER AT COMPUTER CONSULTANCY IN HAMILTON.

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MY SUPERVISOR HAS LOANED ME SOME BOOKS TO READ, OVER 1200 PAGES – BUT ONCE I FINISH THEM I SHOULD KNOW ALL THE HARDWARE BACK TO FRONT.

AUTHENTIC Te Kura is working with students and communities to **LEARNING** develop a new approach to learning that is based on each student's needs and interests. We know that students become motivated learners when they are passionate about what they're learning and it is relevant to their lives.

> Learning opportunities are everywhere, not just inside classrooms and books. We need the support of people like you to offer real life learning opportunities to help young people in your community to achieve their potential.

Real life, authentic learning leads to better outcomes for students and communities.

HOW YOU CAN SUPPORT A STUDENT

Mentors in the community provide real work opportunities that inspire and drive students' learning.

As a mentor of a Te Kura senior student, you will work in partnership with the student in your workplace, giving the student the opportunity to learn from an adult who shares their interests.

The focus on real work in professional settings gives the student's learning context and depth. Through genuine relationships, mentors teach about work ethic and model what it means to be an adult member of our community.

Under mentors' guidance, students transform from uncertain and sometimes disaffected teens to mature, self-motivated young adults when they discover a passion for their career fields. Great mentors are the key to students' success.

I'LL BE WORKING ON OLDER COMPUTERS, RESTORING THEM SO THEY GO. I'LL PRETTY MUCH LEARN ALL THERE IS TO KNOW ABOUT THE HARDWARE, HOW TO REMOVE SPYWARE AND PREPARING THE COMPUTERS FOR AUCTION.

SUPPORTING A STUDENT CAN BENEFIT YOUR WORKPLACE

There are benefits for mentors in supporting a student in your workplace or community group.

A student on an internship or Gateway placement offers:

- a fresh pair of eyes at your work that can see new answers to old problems
- the enthusiasm of a teenager who is excited about your work
- the chance to tackle a project you never have time to get to
- the personal reward of encouraging teenagers who share your professional interests
- an extra set of hands to tackle daily tasks, which the student can also learn from.

IT WAS FUN BUT ALSO HAD GOOD BENEFITS - I LEARNED SKILLS TO FIX BIKES AND ENABLED ME TO TALK MORE PROFESSIONALLY ABOUT BIKES. I ALSO LEARNED ABOUT SELLING THINGS AND BEING ABLE TO INFORM AND ASSIST PEOPLE IN THE SHOP.

Te Kura (formerly The Correspondence ABOUT School) is New Zealand's largest state TE KURA school, with students from all parts of the country and all walks of life. Many of our students live in urban communities and, in addition to our full-time students studying in years 1 to 13, we also provide part-time programmes to young adults (aged 16 to 19) and adults.

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For more information about how you could support a student in your community, visit our website at www.tekura.school. nz and click on 'authentic learning', or contact us on 0800 65 99 88 to speak with the Kaiārahi or Regional Manager for your area.

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