

OMEP Aotearoa NZ Human Rights Report April/May 2017

UN International Days

22 April

[International Mother Earth Day \(A/RES/63/278\)](#)

15 May

[International Day of Families \(A/RES/47/237\)](#)

OMEP Aotearoa – Our focus for April and May

EMERGENCY RESPONSES

Want to help people affected by the severe flooding in the Bay of Plenty?

RED CROSS appeal: <https://www.redcross.org.nz/donate/bay-plenty-floods-2017/>

And <https://www.savethechildren.org.nz/how-to-help/volunteer/>

Ministry of Education have advice on supporting children following floods.

<http://www.education.govt.nz/ministry-of-education/major-incidents/>

OMEP Aotearoa Submissions: Have your say –April 2017

Education Council Aotearoa NZ

Draft –Our Code, Our Standards

Code of Professional Responsibility - will replace the Code of Ethics - it incorporates the Code of Ethics but goes further with some examples of what is not acceptable; with,

Draft Standards for the Teaching Profession - will replace the Practising Teacher Criteria. There are 6 standards replacing the 12 criteria.

Please check with your chapter secretary for the suggested questions as guidance for your submission- (see email from Lia de Vocht 2nd April) and/or return any comment or concerns for the submission from your chapter to Margaret Stuart -Waikato stuartmargaret46@gmail.com by 16 April please.

OMEP World: <http://www.worldomep.org/>

- Education for Sustainable Development

Glynne Mackey –OMEP Aotearoa –Canterbury and World OMEP ESD representative is encouraging members to try out the *OMEP Environmental Rating Scale for Sustainable Development in Early Childhood. (ERS-SDEC)* <http://worldomep.org/en/esd-scale-for-teachers/>

Office of the Children’s Commissioner(OCC)Check out

<http://www.occ.org.nz/assets/Uploads/OCC-webinar-slides-Oct-2016.pdf>

Human Rights Commission _Children’s Privacy and Best Interests

<https://www.privacy.org.nz/news-and-publications/reports-to-parliament-and-government/submission-on-the-children-young-persons-and-their-families-oranga-tamariki-legislation-bill/>

UNICEF and Tick4Kid Local chapter representative will have details. It is not enough to raise awareness of poverty inside New Zealand without also providing the way out, with government's role made clear in addressing its social determinants: household incomes, affordable housing, and greater

funding for equitable education and health. **The overarching message for Tick for Kids is:It takes a child to raise a country.**

Nola Harvey 9/4/2017