What's been did and what's been hid



The Minister of Education has launched a public discussion of learning in schools.

"This is a new style of consultation," said Mr Marshall. "It is historic in education because it gives New Zealanders the opportunity to have their say before the committees write their draft reports. Every possible effort is being made to reach all sections of the community."

During the period from now until the end of January 1986, all New Zealanders will have the opportunity to have their say about the curriculum and assessment in schools.

"I hope," said Mr Marshall, "that all New Zealanders: students, parents, and everyone else, will take part in this discussion.

"The two committees which I set up last year: the Committee to Review the Curriculum for Schools, and the Committee of Inquiry into Curriculum, Assessment and Qualifications in Forms 5-7, want to know what New Zealanders believe should be the curriculum for primary and secondary schools and the forms of assessment and qualifications available for New Zealand students in the future."

The committees have posted seven key questions about the curriculum and assessment, and they seek the response of New Zealanders before drafting their reports. The seven key questions are:

What do you expect of our schools? What should young people learn and experience in schools?

How should schools reflect the many cultures in New Zealand?

How should all people be given a fair chance in our schools?

How should people in schools and the community work together?

How should schools be organised to help people learn?

How should students' progress and achievement be evaluated? (Assessment and awards in the senior secondary school).

"Everyone has a valuable contribution to make to this review and I urge all New Zealanders to use this opportunity to have their say," said Mr Marshall.

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