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We create playgrounds to inspire and ignite the magic for play.

We are passionate about design excellence, outstanding quality and exceptional play value.

Your project. Our passion. Let's play!

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REAL PLAY VALUE

We're really just big kids at heart, which is why providing real play value is at the heart of everything we do.



NO-OBLIGATION SITE VISIT

Our playground creation process begins with a no-obligation site visit, giving you the opportunity to tell us exactly what you want.



COMPETITIVE PRICES

Our team works with you to create a unique playground that fits your budget.



QUALITY PERSONAL SERVICE

Our personalised design, manufacturing and installation service guarantees you the best playground for developing your child's self-confidence in a secure, fun environment.



FREE AND FLEXIBLE DESIGN SERVICE

Through our free design service we create unique playground designs, which are tailored to your schools environment to ensure ultimate enjoyment for children.



ALL TYPES OF PACKAGES

We're passionate about creating safe, long-lasting play environments for children. Talk to us today about creating a playground for your local community.





Te Akau ki Papamoa School

A new play space that links to the vision of Te Akau ki Papamoa School was an important part of the brief when designing a junior and senior playground for students.

The final design embodies history, heritage and connection with the local surroundings which was the perfect excuse for our team

to get creative. In the space we ensured we worked around the trees and included the three whales to recognise the importance of local legend (Pakiwaitara). One of them has its very own water spout which was a special surprise for the students.







Tahatai Coast School

"Playground Creations nailed it! Our playground is challenging and engaging, it supports creative play and cleverly maximises the space. From design to build, we found the team highly professional, knowledgeable, patient and adaptable. The result is outstanding!"















Golden Sands School

Working with Golden Sands School in Papamoa, to create a playground for all ages at a school with growing numbers of students, was an exciting project.

A school with a clear vision for the playground build helped this along. A detailed brief was given on site, together with the positioning of the playground.

Due to the location, a seaside theme was a must and the students dreamed of a tower they could climb, hoping to glimpse the sea from the top. The theme created had key features including a boat, tower with thatched roof and tube slide for an ultimate sliding experience. Natural play was incorporated to encourage imaginative and social play experiences, together with a good variety of overhead, climbing and balance activities to ensure students get the play activities they need to learn and grow.

The playground stands proud finished in purple and gold – the school colours.





Rototuna Junior High

Working with the students at Rototuna Junior High gave Playground Creations the perfect opportunity to get creative.

Following the brief provided by the students, it was important to include equipment that encouraged socialisation, team-work and challenges, together with play equipment for increasing student numbers and to cater for all abilities.

The kahu was regarded as good luck if it was seen flying overhead during a tribal meeting, so this was incorporated in the playground design along with eel balance logs and native plantings.

The result is an outstanding play space that provides an exciting variety of equipment and seating for use during school breaks and class time.













Meadowbank School

Playground Creations got straight onto the job, visited the site, listened to the brief and presented a playground concept that worked for the school.

The school were delighted with the result. A playground that sat perfectly on the school site, provided loads of play value, accommodated large numbers of students and was of excellent quality.

The whole process was made easy with the playground within budget and on time. The playground components were designed to create;

- Safe and long-lasting playgrounds using New Zealand timbers
- Fabricated galvanised steel work, powder coated to the colour of their choice
- · Quality synthetic galvanised steel ropes
- Playground Creations playgrounds are made to last, so are our relationships with our customers.





Tauriko School

Tauriko School students in Tauranga returned to school at the start of Level 2 to find a lovely surprise, with double climbing activity nets and a double swing set having been installed just prior to lockdown.

The delight and joy on the children's faces was priceless and truly a bonus for not only the students, but also for staff, as it helped to make the level 2 return even more special.

The School Council, Board of Trustees and the PTA of Tauriko School really wanted to see an improved outdoor play space for students, with a focus on climbing structures and swings. So after much fundraising, the results speak for themselves.

Thank you Playground Creations, for your flexibility and advice while we were determining what would be best for our school and for your outstanding organisation and communication throughout the project.









Hamilton East School

Thinking playgrounds? Lets get creative...

Design work for a new playground at Hamilton East School, different to the other play spaces around the school, got us thinking of a modular play concept, designed to challenge the students' body and mind. This play system caters for all age groups with low and higher level activities that will see students moving in creative ways.

The blend of different textures with artificial grass, a sand pit and natural play elements completes the play space and suits the site perfectly.







View Road School

"Playground Creations worked so well with our students and playground committee, involving everyone in the process in a respectful way.

We wanted a playground that maximised the shade of our beautiful big old trees, which made good use of natural colours and materials.

We got the playground we wanted and more.

Our new playground is a hit with all ages – we cater for up to year 8. We love the 'soft topped stepping stones' and our school values are etched into the balance beams, which make our playground unique and individual to us.

Our families enjoy the reflection deck as much as our children do and the swings are just 'the bomb'. We enjoyed the entire process with Playground Creations, and we know that our playground is about us and our school."

- Principal, View Road School









Puketaha School Playground Refresh

It's a big thumbs up from the students at Puketaha School! By revamping their beloved tower and adding a new activity net with connecting bridge, this play space has been completely transformed. The existing playground was refreshed with some new equipment, decks and shock pads for new play experiences.







Playground Creations Top 10 Funding Tips

We often get asked for tips on how to fund a new playground. From fundraising activities to grants and charitable donations, financial support is available to bring your playground to life.

Here are our top tips on how to fund your new school playground.

1. GET PEOPLE EXCITED

If a new playground is what your school needs, ask for ideas from the children, teachers and wider school community.

2. BUILD A TEAM

Create a playground committee. Give people who are passionate about the project responsibilities from playground planning to funding applications, sponsorship or fundraising.

3. CONTACT THE EXPERTS

Contact Playground Creations for a free site visit. After talking to you about what you would like to see in the playground, we can provide a 3D design of what your playground will look like together with a quote to support your funding applications.

4. BUDGET

When raising funds, take into consideration the cost of the playground build as well as ongoing maintenance. Work with your PTA, local businesses and school families for sponsorship opportunities.

5. FUNDRAISING

Ask your PTA for some fundraising initiatives to kick the project off. Think outside the square and include the children – they often have the best ideas and uninhibited imaginations.

6. SPONSORSHIP

If you don't ask you won't get.

Talk to local businesses and families for sponsorship opportunities and advertise your new playground project at every opportunity. You may be surprised!

7. FUNDING APPLICATIONS

Have someone dedicated to funding applications. Read each document clearly and make your application stand out from the crowd. Provide all the

information asked for and be sure to submit it on time. Call the provider and ask what funding you could expect to receive. Be sure to separate safety surfacing from the playground build.

8. MONITOR YOUR PROGRESS

Show off your funding success.

It may be hard at first but once you've got some money towards your playground, people will get excited and ioin the cause.

9. STICK WITH YOUR VISION

Don't be tempted to scale it back or do the project in stages. It is much harder to attract money for a project that has already started.

10. CELEBRATE

Celebrate your success with a playground opening. Organise a playground blessing, involve the children with a performance and the cutting of a ribbon. It's a perfect place to publicly thank funders, volunteers and invite media. Don't forget to toast your success too!

