

Our Learning Support system is understaffed and underfunded.



1 in 5 children need extra support for their learning

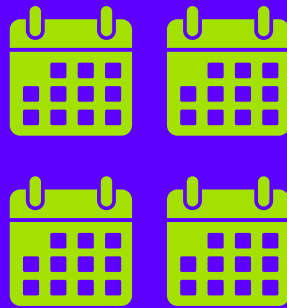


8 out of 14 specialist learning support roles have significant unfilled vacancies

The average national wait time for Early Childhood Intervention Services is

126 days

and this is increasing each year.



In January 2024, the Minister of Education was advised that

1050

 additional learning support coordinators were needed for schools – on top of the 586 currently funded.

Government (ORS) funding does not cover the full cost of employing teacher aides.



A 2021 independent schooling review recommended **at least 1839 more teacher aides** are needed.

Recommendations to govt from a 2023 review of teacher aide funding have **still not progressed**.

In May 2024, the Minister of Education announced a work programme with **5 areas of attention for learning support needs** – but made **no commitment to new funding**.

Under the current system, **3 out of every 10** children who need learning support are **missing out**.



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