Hi Te Awa.

My name is Mrs Louise Hayes and I am super excited to be leading the Te Awa team again this year.

2023 will be my 3rd year teaching at Woodend School where I have taught years 3 - 6. Before coming to Woodend I taught year 3 and 4 at 0xford Area School. I am really looking forward to working in the Junior area of the school again.

Along with, I share the vision that I can help you to achieve your own academic and personal goals, and to be the best you that you can be.

When I'm not at school I love to walk, tramp, read, garden and hang out with my family and my dogs. My favourite subject to teach is science and a close second would be writing. I love to see how creative and imaginative a person can be.

I am really looking forward to getting to know everyone in Te Awa this year and to take part in all of the fun activities that Miss Gardyne, Ms Hutton, Miss Purves and I have planned for you.

Louise Hayes Te Awa Team Leader



Kia Ora

I am Miss Purves and will be working in the Hurunui space during 2023. I have been at Woodend for 7 years now teaching a range of different age groups and I love arts, crafts and getting creative in the classroom. Prior to this, I lived on the West Coast teaching at Reefton Area School.

I have 2 boys 8 and 4 and live rurally in Sefton. On the weekends you will find me at the Motocross track with my young boys, spending quality time with my family and experimenting with recipes and baking!

I am looking forward to getting to know you all when we meet at school on Wednesday and cannot wait to be a part of your learning

journey here at school.

Nga Mihi Nui

Brooke Purves
Te Awa Kaiako

Kia Ora

My name is Miss Lagan Gardyne and I am extremely excited to be joining Woodend School this year.

I have been teaching for 7 years, in a range of different levels from year 3-8. I enjoy the arts, maths and writing the most.

I am originally from Ashburton however I have lived in the Christchurch area for the last 10 years and I now live locally in North Canterbury. I am also a mum to one 18 month old little girl. When I am not at School I enjoy the outdoors, music, arts and crafts, and spending time with my family and friends.



I am looking forward to getting to know you all, working alongside Miss Hutton, Mrs Hayes and Miss Purves as part of Te Awa. I can't wait to get into all the amazing learning that is going to take place this year.

Nga Mihi Nui

Lagan Gardyne

Kia Ora

I am Ms H or Ms Hutton. I started working at Woodend School in term 2 last year with Te Hapua. I have been a teacher for 17 years where I have taught all year levels from 0-6. My family and I have been living in North Canterbury for a year now, previously I have only known Auckland.

I run a 15 acre lifestyle block with dexter cattle, a couple of horses, chinese silkie chickens, a cat and our family dogs. I enjoy teaching Mathematics and Writing lessons.

I look forward to seeing some familiar faces returning to my pakeke along with meeting new ones.

Nga Mihi Nui

Alissa Hutton

